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by Marcia DeCoster

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Cascading Links Bracelet by Cynthia Rutledge

passing through Never Stop Learning



T've been interested in metalworking for years but have been hesitant to try it. It's not the torches and hammers that intimidated me. I feared falling in love with yet another new craft and the temptation to buy more tools—as it is, I can hardly find a place to sit in my overflowing studio. But having always said I'll try anything twice, I took Tracy Stanley's Riveted Rings class at Bead Fest Portland. Sure enough, I've already ordered more tools. But what I enjoyed most was the

satisfaction of pushing myself to try something new. In this issue, we give you ample opportunities to do the same and reveal how others keep their work fresh by continuously learning new skills.

Though we best know David Chatt for his intricate work in seed beads, he's exploring different and exciting materials—learn what other medium David's using in my interview with him on page 64. Cynthia Rutledge, author of our very first Master Class, returns this issue to tell us about her adventures with new materials. You'll find Cynthia's discovery of gem-setting techniques has taken her beadwork to the next level. Plus, she'll teach you her methods so you, too, can give gem setting a go. Whether you're working a stitch for the first time (perhaps you're new to Russian spiral; if so, see Mary M. Pfeiler's Southwest Shimmer) or trying a variation on an old standby (like Scarlett Lanson's embellished spiral herringbone stitch), this issue is bound to mix up your beading repertoire.

My sincere thanks go to our amazing 2009 Designers of the Year: Jean Campbell, Marcia DeCoster, Jamie Hogsett, and Lisa Kan. In their final issue of the year, they gift you with a great holiday-season collection of projects—from sweet and sparkly to bold and dramatic. I'm proud to announce our stellar lineup of 2010 Designers of the Year: Nancy Cain, Laura McCabe, Carole Ohl, and Melanie Potter. Each of next year's issues will feature projects from these technically skilled and wonderfully artistic designers, beginning with our February/March issue.

Try something different this winter—even if you fear filling your beading space to the brim with new tools as I did. Though new challenges are daunting at first, there is always something to learn from the process of trying.

Happy beading!

Melinda

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Thank you to The Bead Cache of Fort Collins, Colorado, for lending us many of the crystals that were used at this issue's photo shoot.

HAPPENINGS

Welcome, Allison! We are pleased to announce a new addition to the *Beadwork* team: Allison Mackin. Allison is our talented new assistant editor and a budding jewelry designer. We're so happy to have her!

BEAD STAR IS BACK. On newsstands on December 8, *Bead Star* is a contest-based magazine filled with winning projects readers voted for on beadingdaily.com. The grand-prize winner receives an all-expense-paid trip to Bead Fest Santa Fe 2010, plus a shopping spree valued at up to \$1,000!

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have always had trouble with thread tangling. I've spent more time fighting the thread than actually beading. Yesterday, I got to thinking about all my years of embroidery and cross-stitching, and what I had done to eliminate this problem in the past. I spread several lengths of the Nymo D over the ironing board and ironed right on the thread (if I use FireLine or some other questionable beading material, I plan to use press cloths). This

has made all the difference in the world! What had taken me forty-five minutes to do before, now takes me about five minutes—and is making beading a lot more enjoyable.

NANCY BOYUM / STILLWATER, MINNESOTA

nce again, the best just got better. I have no idea how you do it, but I love the way you try to drive me crazy. How can I decide which project to do first when there are so many exciting new things to try in the August/September 2009 issue of Beadwork? Before I can finalize the ideas that the previous issue has inspired, here are all these wonderful new features. I especially enjoy the Master Class features. Thank you, thank you.

REBECCA BELL / FOLLANSBEE, WEST VIRGINIA

W.O.R.D. WHAT OUR READERS DID

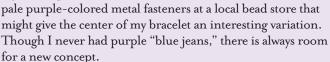


My beaded portraits are first sketched on Lacy's Stiff Stuff and then delicately rendered. Using seed-bead embroidery with a thread and needle, I lay down the beads as if I were painting. Each piece takes time, patience, and thought. After a piece is finished, it is cut out and then glued to a fabricovered canvas. I see these pieces as recognition of the important accomplishments of each person I select. I

have chosen my subjects because of their admirable public and personal traits. Through this intricate and intimate beading process, I am honoring each chosen person. The title of this portrait is *The Princess*.

ELEANOR PIGMAN / SEATTLE, WASHINGTON





LISA DEUTSCH / DUARTE, CALIFORNIA



Masai—Who's the Predator has a personal meaning to me. After spending many years living in Tanzania and Zimbabwe, I felt compelled to document my own life's story through my work as a bead artist, using African art and the African life-

style as the central theme. The focal piece of the warrior was brought back from a small village outside of Harare, Zimbabwe, with the intention of creating a very special piece of wearable art in the form of bead embroidery.

ANGELA DI CARLO / TAHOE NATIONAL FOREST, CALIFORNIA

My major source of inspiration is coordinating a well-designed piece of jewelry with a piece of clothing and getting it "just right" for the personality of the wearer and the type of occasion—I love putting the whole picture together so it "sings"! I concentrate on design elements such as balance, texture, colors, relative sizes, types of material, and the



integrity of the piece as a whole as it relates to its context. This piece is called *Lemon Ice*.

LORRAINE FLATT / KITCHENER, ONTARIO, CANADA

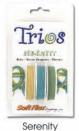
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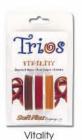
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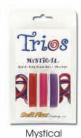


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contributors

What advice would you offer to a beginning beadwork designer?



REGINA ATKINS. "My advice to a beginning beadwork designer: Familiarize yourself with basic color theory. The same color combinations you use to decorate your home

also apply when choosing your bead combinations. Don't be afraid to step out of the box and try something different. A variety of color and shape will give your design texture and interest."



ARLENE BAKER. "Take a class from a teacher whose work you admire and ask for help and guidance; most teachers are generous with their advice and time. I am always happy to mentor an eager student."



JEAN CAMPBELL. "Pick up The Beader's Companion (Interweave, 2005), then use opaque size 8° or size 6° seed beads and brightly colored thread to make small samples of a few of

the stitches that catch your eye. Save these samples in a tiny Ziploc bag, label them with the stitch name, and pin them to your bulletin board. You'll refer to them again and again."



JEANNE BARTA
CRAINE. "When using seed beads, do not be afraid of color! I think some people spend too much time overthinking their color choices. I

suggest first selecting one color you simply cannot live without. Use that color as your 'main highway' and then take 'color detours' from there. Give yourself permission to take the 'color road' less traveled—it just might make all the difference."



MARCIA DECOSTER.

"Build your stitch repertoire. Depending on your learning style: sit with a good book, sign up for a local class, or download an Internet class. Then prac-

tice by making a simple project or two in that stitch before moving on. Soon you'll have mastered the basics."



JAMIE HOGSETT. "Be prepared to practice, practice, practice! Everything about beading, from tension in seed-bead work to perfecting wirewrapped loops, can be improved

with practice. With any new beading technique that you attempt to learn, if you're patient and don't let a few messy test pieces get to you, you'll be a pro in no time."



LISA KAN. "Start with the basics. If a stitch looks overwhelming because a pattern calls for smaller beads than you are used to, just bump up the size. Remember 'less is more.'

Lastly, I always recommend that designers carry a notebook wherever they go. Writing or sketching out ideas gives life to a possible new design. Here's to your next masterpiece."



SCARLETT LANSON.

"When I started out beading, I got a lot of insight from more experienced beaders on jewelry forums like *Beading Daily*. This is a great outlet for

beginners because they can share their first designs and get advice on trying new techniques and stitches. To the beginner: don't give up! All of us have first works that start out like a little blob of beads and tangles—it takes practice and patience for our beadwork to evolve into something beautiful."



KATE MCKINNON.

"Always use your common sense about design and try to make things as longwearing as you can. Tight thread doesn't always equal sturdy work because

sometimes tight things break. Use your judgement about what might benefit from being supple instead of stiff. Remember also that the bead holes are not the only place to go with your needle—when you are beadweaving, you are making a matrix of thread, and you can access this thread between the beads or at the edge of your work to navigate, embellish, or anchor to. Also, use color with joy, and make what you love."



MARY M. PFEILER. "I'm personally not a 'recipe beader.' If I'm doing a project and don't like the look of it, I'll experiment by changing out the count or going down or up in

bead size. Sometimes it leads to a whole new project; you just never know. Don't be afraid to try new things and mix it up a bit."



CYNTHIA RUTLEDGE.

"You have to forget about every piece of beadwork that you have ever seen so as not to be influenced by other designers. Trust your skill level and be willing to

experiment, again and again and again, to get the results that appeal to you. Also, take your time, document your steps, and have patience with yourself. The creative process is a labor of love, so follow your heart!"

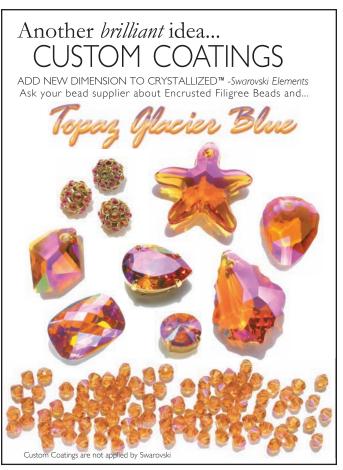


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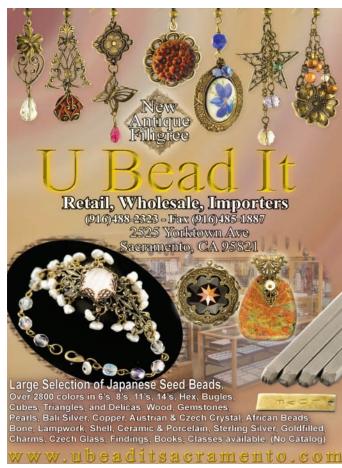
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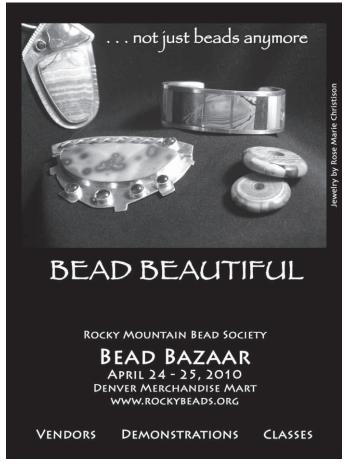


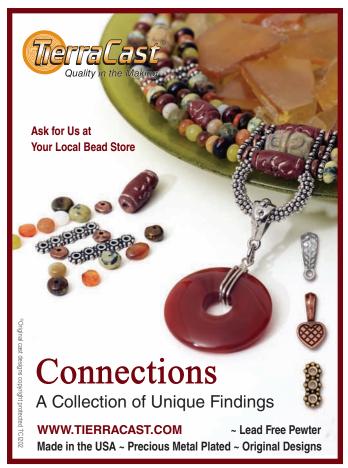














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the challenge

Melinda Barta, Mikki Ferrugiaro, Jamie Hogsett, and Michelle Mach

What happens when you give four people matching sets of materials to play with? We work with products we might not have considered using, and our creative sides get stretched one more notch.

the rules: We use our favorites from the materials provided and, where necessary, round out projects with our own materials.

the stash: THE HOLE BEAD SHOPPE provided Lucite flowers and leaves, seed beads, crystal pearls, and a clasp for each of us.

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GREEN AND ORANGE are my current favorite colors, so this Challenge kit was perfect for me. I layered the large green flowers, a copper pearl, and a head pin to make the centerpiece of this wrist corsage. I then strung a mixture of orange seed beads and crystal pearls on citrine-colored wire and green seed beads and crystal pearls on emerald wire. I braided three sections of three strands each, making sure to string the centerpiece onto the center of one of the braids. I then braided all three of the previously braided strands together. I used crimp tubes to narrow down the wires on each end of the bracelet. The end result is a pretty piece that I will definitely wear.



michelle

INSPIRED BY *The Beaded Garden* by Diane Fitzgerald and a flower-inspired challenge hosted by *Beading Daily*, I layered two emerald Lucite flowers and stitched a fringed seed-bead-and-pearl center. Since the only holes were in the centers of the flowers, the bail proved challenging until I realized that with my hand drill and a ¹/16" drill bit, I could add a hole wherever I liked. A single hole to one petal allowed me to create a simple bail to slide on my herringbone rope. While I'll admit that I originally alternated sets of size 15° and 11° seed beads to ensure that I had enough seed beads to finish the rope, I ended up loving the resulting undulating effect. Sometimes practical decisions lead to pretty results!

melinda

I LEARNED from Nancy Cain (Master Class, August/ September 2009) that if you peyote-stitch a bracelet band with long rows that go back and forth for the length of the piece, as I did here, the result is a stiff band. If I had built the length in short rows from side to side, the piece would have bent between rows—similar to a hinge—when worn. After experimenting with triangle weave, I created beaded buttons to be used as anchors for the flowers and leaves as well as for the clasp. An opening in the band completes the clasp, and when the bracelet is closed, the leaf below the button peeks out between the ends of the band.



After seeing some of the other great beaded accessories made by *Beadwork* reader Mikki Ferrugiaro of St. George, Utah, our editors invited her to participate in this issue's Challenge. And boy, did she ever deliver, turning the kit's contents into a romantic and inspiring multitechnique necklace. Thank you, Mikki! See our February/ March 2010 issue for details on how you, too, can submit a picture of your work and be considered to win a Challenge kit.

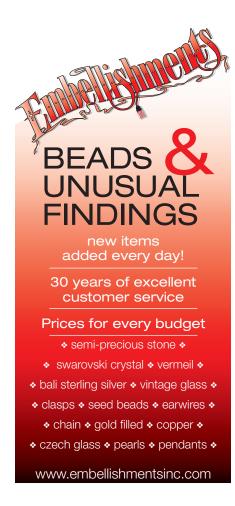
mikki

BONUS!

Instructions for Melinda's triangle-weave and peyote-stitched clasp can be found on page 16.

THE CHALLENGE for me with this piece, as a seed beader, was working with the Lucite. The idea of stacking the flowers reminded me of the rambling roses that filled the garden of the house in England where I was born. So, using the Lucite flowers as a pattern, I created a seed-bead rose to intermix with the Lucite. Joining the completed elements was my biggest problem. I couldn't seem to get the balance right, so I turned to the work of Miriam Haskell for inspiration—I actually felt like I was channeling her. By adding beaded beads, spiral rope strands, and a few seed beads, crystals, and pearls from my stash, I achieved the balance I was looking for and am quite thrilled with the end result.











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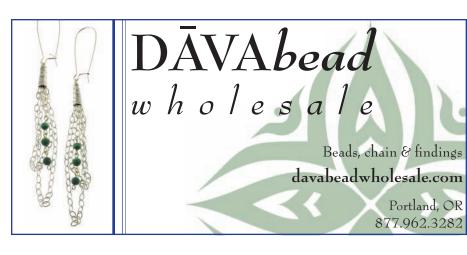
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custom cool

Melinda Barta

triangles & charms button clasps

Units of triangle weave form a flowerlike button that's perfect for a bracelet clasp. Use the method here to attach the button with a charm to a band of peyote stitch (made with a buttonhole to easily accommodate the stitched button), and you'll find the charm cleverly sandwiched between the layers of beadwork.



:: triangle weave

:: peyote stitch

See p. 102 for helpful technique information.

TOOLS

Size 12 beading

FINISHED SIZE: 5/8"

(BUTTON)

Scissors

needle

MATERIALS

Size 15° seed beads for button (A)

Size 11° seed beads for band (B)

11 (per button) 4mm crystal pearls

1 metal or plastic 12–20mm charm

Nylon or 6 lb braided beading thread in color to match beads

the button half of the clasp, working with tight tension to cause the beadwork to cup: $\mbox{Unit 1: String \{l \ pearl \ and \ lA\} three \ times.}$

1) BUTTON. Use triangle weave to create

Tie a square knot to form a tight circle. Pass through the first 3 beads strung.

Unit 2: String {IA and I pearl} twice. String IA and pass through the last bead exited in the previous unit and the first 2 beads just added (Fig. 1).

Unit 3: String {1A and 1 pearl} twice. String 1A and pass through the last bead exited in the previous unit and the first 4 beads just added (Fig. 2).

Unit 4: Repeat Unit 2 (Fig. 3).

Unit 5: String 1A, 1 pearl, and 1A. Pass back through the nearest pearl of Unit 1. String 1A and pass through the nearest pearl of Unit 4 (Fig. 4). Secure the thread and trim. Set the button aside.

2) BAND. Use peyote stitch to create a bracelet band with a hole to accommodate the button:

Rows 1 and 2: Use 4' of thread to string an even number of B equal to the size of your wrist plus 1½".

Rows 3-5: Work lB in each stitch.

Row 6: Work 1B in each stitch until the fifth Row 5 bead from the end (Fig. 5). This is the turnaround point.

Row 7: Work lB in each stitch.

Row 8: Work lB in each stitch, making the turnaround as you did in Row 6 (Fig. 6).
Rows 9–19: Work lB in each stitch.

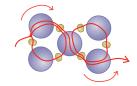
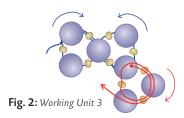


Fig. 1: Units 1 and 2 of triangle weave



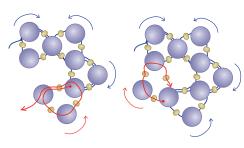


Fig. 3: Adding Unit 4

Fig. 4: Completing the button

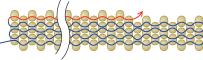


Fig. 5: Stopping short of the end in Row 6

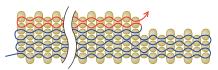
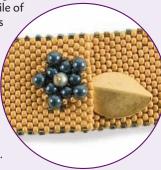


Fig. 6: Working Rows 7 and 8

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For a touch of color and sparkle, work one more row of peyote stitch on each side of the band using metallic size 11° hex beads.

The low profile of the hex beads also smooths the sides of the band in case you don't like the jagged look caused by the first and last rows.



Row 20: Work lB in each stitch. At the end of the row, string 8B.

Rows 21–23: Work lB in each stitch across the 8B just added and continue across the row (Fig. 7 and Fig. 8a). Secure the thread and trim.

End: Start 16" of

thread and trim.

End: Start 16" of
thread that exits
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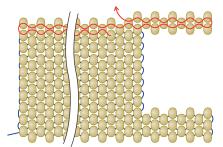


Fig. 7: Adding beads for the top edge of the band

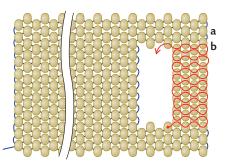


Fig. 8: Working the end of the band

working back and forth with 1B in each stitch to create a strip 4B wide and 13 rows long. Zip the end to the beads added at the end of Row 20 to complete the buttonhole in the band (Fig. 8b). Weave through all end beads again to reinforce. Secure the thread and trim.

3) FINISHING. Attach the button and charm to the band: Start 16" of thread that exits from the center of the nonbuttonhole end of the band, 5 beads from the end. String the charm and 2B. Pass through the center of the back of the button (the front of the button is the concave side) and string 1 pearl and 1A; pass back through the pearl, button center, 2B, and the last band bead exited. Repeat the thread path several times to reinforce. To wear, pass the button only through the buttonhole. *Note:* The base of the charm is concealed by the overlapping ends of the band. •

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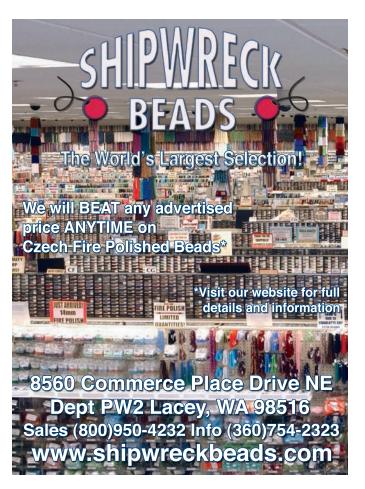
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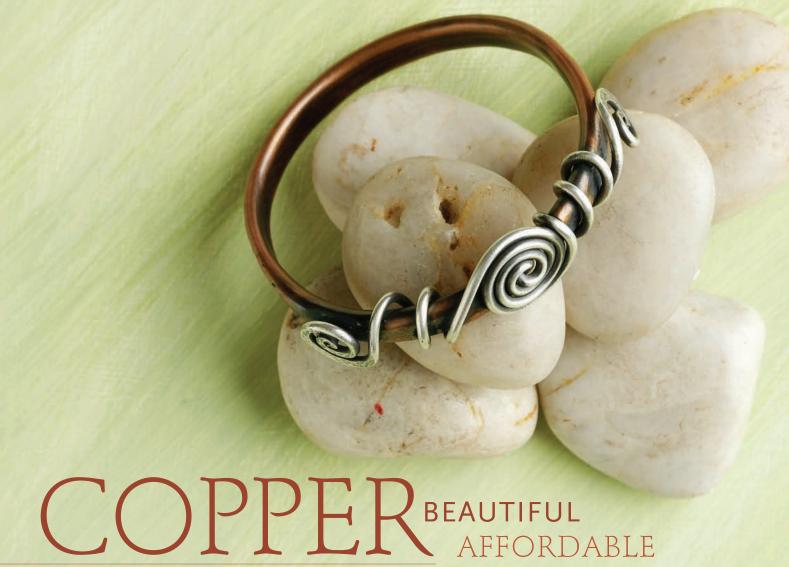
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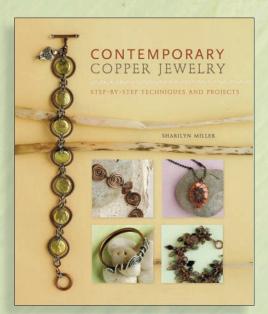








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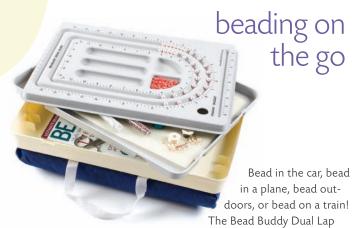
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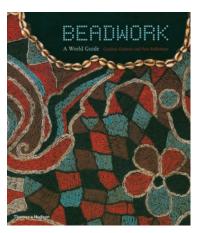
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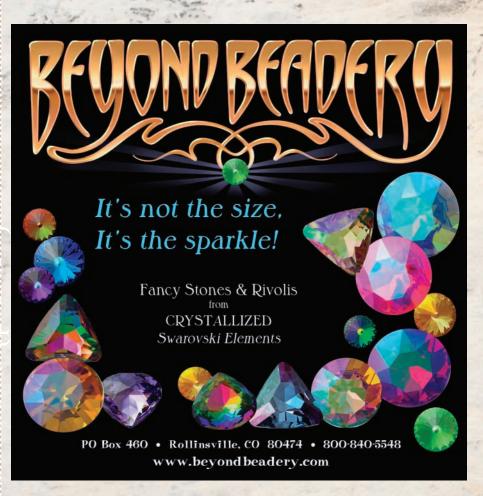
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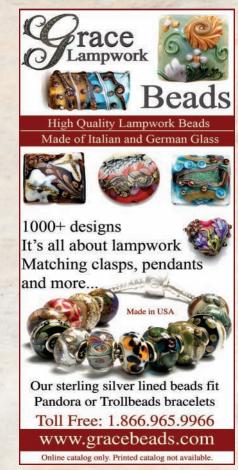


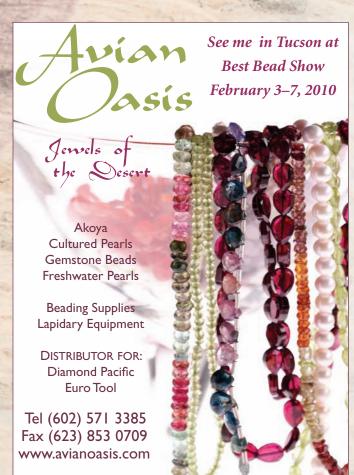


















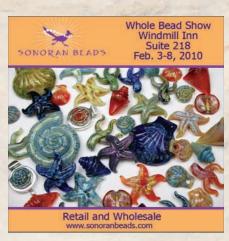














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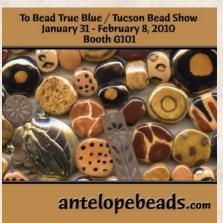








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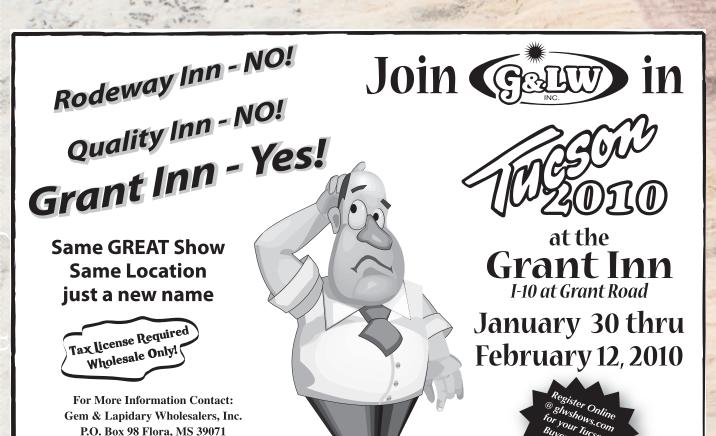


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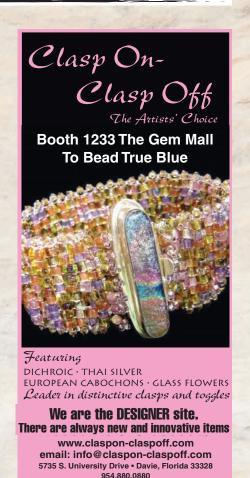


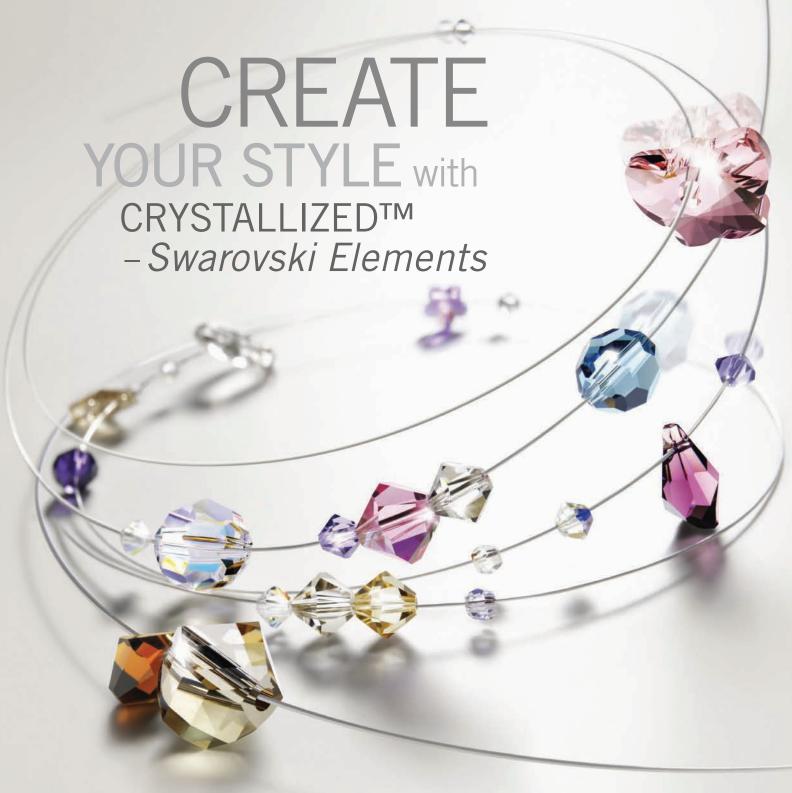


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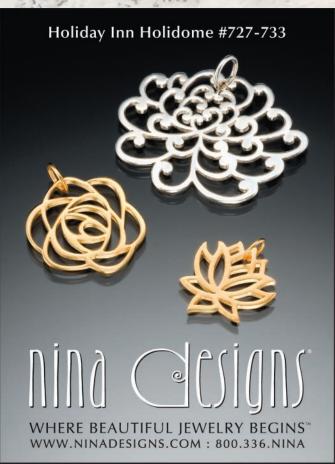


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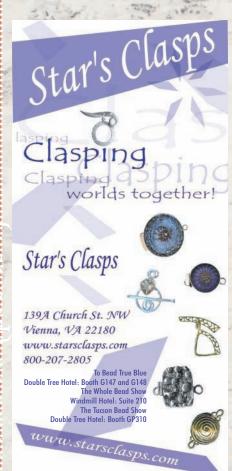
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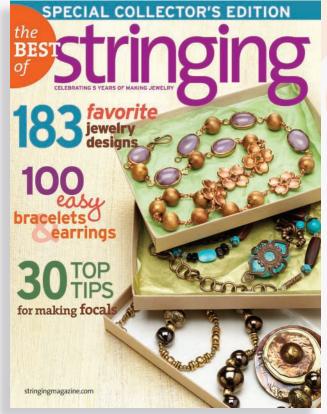
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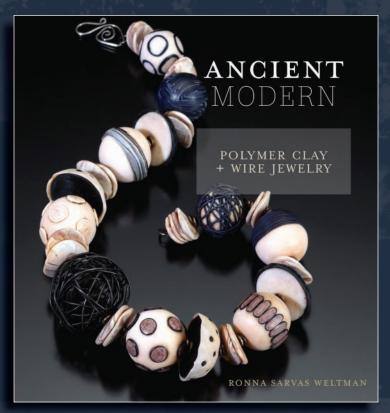
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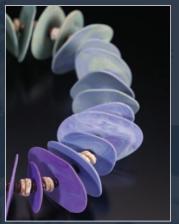
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5 g metallic brown iris size 11° seed beads (C)

3 g palladium size 11° cylinder hex beads (D)

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ARTIST'S TIP

When working the openings in the ropes to accommodate the pearls and crystals, keep in mind that you do not want to force your thread through a too-tight bead, as you could break it. To avoid this, either switch to a smaller needle or weave your thread through nearby rounds to reach the bead you are trying to exit.

1) STRANDS. Tie one end of 10' of thread to the loop of one of the eye pins, leaving a 3" tail. String 1 cube, 6" of charlottes, 1 cube, and the other eye pin; pass back through the cube (Fig. 1).



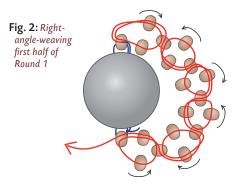
Fig. 1: Adding the first strand

*String 6" of charlottes; pass through the first cube, through the eye pin, and back through the cube. String 6" of charlottes; pass through the second cube, through the eye pin, and back through the cube. Repeat from * to attach a total of eighteen 6" strands of charlottes between the cubes. *Note:* It's okay if some of the strands are a few beads longer or shorter than the others; this will help with the strands' drape when they are twisted together. Secure the working and tail threads and trim. Set aside.

2) PENDANT. Work tubular right-angle weave and peyote stitch with tight tension to form a bezeled and embellished pearl pendant:

Base: Use 3' of thread to string the 10mm pearl and 1C, leaving a 3" tail. Pass back through the pearl. String 1C and knot the working and tail threads to secure the seed beads tightly against the pearl. Exit the first C added.

Round 1: String 3C; pass through the first base C and the first 2C just added to form the first right-angle-weave unit. Use C to work 4 more units. String lC and pass through the second base C on the pearl, then string lC and pass through the end C of the previous unit. Pass through the first C just added and the second base C (Fig. 2). Repeat this section to add the second half of Round l, connecting to the first base C.



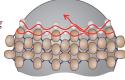
Round 2: Weave through beads to exit an edge bead of Round 1. String 1C and pass through the next edge bead. Continue tubular peyote stitch off the edge C using 1C in each stitch for a total of 12C. Step up for the next round by passing through the first C added in this round.

Round 3: Work tubular peyote stitch with 1C in each stitch for a total of 12C.

Pass through the first C added to step up for the next round.

Rounds 4 and 5: Repeat Round 3 twice using lA in each stitch (Fig. 3).

Fig. 3: Peyote-stitching Rounds 4 and 5 using size 15°s



Rounds 6-10: Weave through beads to exit 1C at the other edge of Round 1.

Repeat Rounds 2–5 to complete the bezel.

crystal fringe: Weave through beads to exit from Round 7. String 1E and 1A; pass back through 1E and through the next C of Round 7 (Fig. 4).

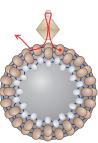


Fig. 4: Adding fringe to Round 7

Repeat around to add a total of 12 crystal fringes. Exit from a C of Round 7 between the fringes.

Picot bail: String 21C; pass through the closest C of Round 3 to form a loop on one end of the bezel. Pass back through the 21C again and through the

first C exited in Round 7 (Fig. 5). String 3A, skip 1C, and pass through the following 1C of the bail; repeat down the 21C, then repeat along the other side of the same 21C (Fig. 6a).

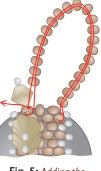


Fig. 5: Adding the bail's loop

Exit from the first 1C, string 1C, skip 1C, and pass through the following 1C; repeat down the row of 21C to add a center between each of the 3A picots (Fig. 6b). Secure the thread and trim. Set the pendant aside.

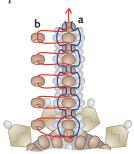


Fig. 6: Embellishing the bail with picots (indicated in blue) and C (indicated in red)

3) CONES. Use A, right-angle weave, and tubular peyote stitch to make bead cones that will cover the ends of the strands:

Round 1: String 6A, leaving a 3" tail. Pass through the beads again and tie the working and tail threads to form a circle. Pass through every other bead again and pull tightly so the ring becomes a triangle. Exit lA at one tip of the triangle.

Round 2: Work tubular peyote stitch with lA in each stitch, passing through the tips of the triangle to add a total of 3A. Step up for the next round by passing through the first lA added in this round.

Round 3: Work tubular peyote stitch with 2A in each stitch. Step up through the first 1A added in this round.

Round 4: String 1A and pass through the next A of Round 3, then string 2A and pass through the fol-

lowing A of Round 3; repeat twice. Step up through the first lA added in this round (Fig. 7).

Round 5: Work tubular peyote stitch with IA in each stitch, sepa-



Fig. 7: Stitching Round 4 of the cone

rating the 2A stitches from Round 4 to add a total of 9A. Step up through the first 1A added in this round (Fig. 8).

Round 6: Work the round in right-angle weave with 5A in each unit: String 4A; pass through the last A



Fig. 8: Stitching Round 5 of the cone

exited in Round 5 and the first 1A just strung. String 3A; pass back through the next A of Round 5, the nearest 1A of the previous unit, the 3A just added, and the next A of Round 5 (Fig. 9a). Continue around in right-

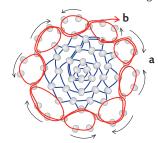


Fig. 9: Stitching Round 6 of the cone

angle weave, 5A to a unit, leaving the bottom 2A of each unit free. Connect the first and last units to complete the round. Step up through the third A added in this round (Fig. 9b).

Round 7: String IA and pass through the next 2A on the outside edge of Round 6; repeat around for a total of 9A. Step up through the first IA added in this round.

Round 8: Work tubular peyote stitch with 2A in each stitch. Step up through the first 2A added in this round.

Round 9: Work tubular peyote stitch with IA in each stitch, treating the 2A from the previous round as I bead (Fig. 10). Secure the thread and trim. Set the cone aside.

Repeat entire step for a second cone.

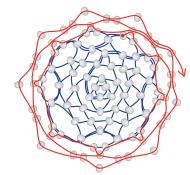


Fig. 10: Stitching Rounds 7-9 of the cone

4) ROPE. Work a variation of tubular herringbone stitch to form a spiral rope embedded with crystals and pearls:
Rounds 1–2 (base): Use 3' of thread to string 1C, 1D, 1C, and 1D; tie the beads into a circle and pass through the first 1C, leaving a 10" tail. String 1D and 1C and pass through the previous 1D of the circle, the last 1C exited of the circle, and the 1D/1C just added; repeat to form a 2-bead-high, ladderstitched strip 4 beads long. Ladderstitch the first and last stacks together to form a ring. Exit up through 1C.

Round 3: String 1D and 1C and pass down through the beads of the next stack to the left of the previous round and up through the following stack to the left; repeat to work tubular herringbone stitch, adding a total of 4 beads. Exit up through the first bead added in this round.

Rounds 4–11: String lC and lD and pass down through the next bead in the previous round, then string lB and pass up through 3 beads of



Fig. 11: Working Round 4 of the rope

the next stack; repeat to work a second spiral tubular herringbone stitch (Fig. 11). Repeat the round seven more times, alternating C and D from the previous round.

Pearl: String one 4mm
pearl; pass down
through I bead on the
second spine that mirrors the last bead exited
on the first spine, then
pass up through the
bead in the next stack.
Pass back through the
pearl and down
through the bead on

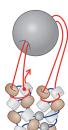


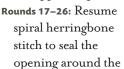
Fig. 12: Adding a pearl between two herringbonestitched spines

the first spine that mirrors the last bead exited on the second spine. Exit up through the first bead of the first spine (Fig. 12).

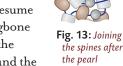
Rounds 12 and 13: *Work l herringbone stitch, alternating lC and lD as before.

Pass down through the next stack of beads, down to Round 10, up through the following stack of beads, and up to Round 11. Repeat from * and pass up through the first bead added in this round. Note: In order to follow the thread path of the spiral, you'll pass through the nearest 1B after exiting Round 10 and up through the beads of Rounds 8 or 9 to avoid exposed threads. Repeat entire step, passing down through the next stack of beads to Round 10 and up through the following stack to the next stitch point. These rounds will form 2 separate herringbone-stitched spines. Note: Because of the nature of spiral herringbone stitch, it may be necessary to work another stitch on one of the spines so that the 4mm pearl is placed evenly. The actual number of stitches isn't very important; there should just be enough so that the pearl is able to peek through the beadwork.

Rounds 14–16: Repeat Rounds 12 and 13 to continue the two spines, but instead of passing all the way down into Round 10, pass down to Round 13 and make the turnarounds through the 4mm pearl to reach



the opposite spine.



pearl by following the technique used in Rounds 4–ll (Fig. 13).

four times, alternating the pearl with 1 crystal bicone (E). Don't trim the thread; set the rope aside. *Note:* As you work the length of the rope you will begin to notice the following pattern establish between each opening in the rope: Add a pearl (or crystal bicone), work 2 spines that surround the pearl/crystal bicone, and then resume spiral herringbone stitch to join the spines

and transition to the next opening. You'll stitch 10 rounds (Rounds 17–26) before adding the next pearl/crystal bicone.

Repeat entire step to form a second rope.

5) ASSEMBLY. Connect the components to finish the necklace:

cones: Loosely twist the strands from Step 1 to create a nice drape. Use 1 eye-pin wire attached to the strands to string the pendant's bail to the center of the strands. Use 1 eye-pin wire to string 1 cone (wide end first), one 6mm pearl, and 1 bicone, and form a simple loop; repeat at the other end of the strands with the remaining eye pin and cone.

formed into the open end of l spiral rope. Press the loop into the rope's opening far enough so the bicone looks like it's nestled at the bottom of the rope. Use the rope's working thread to snugly stitch the eye inside the beadwork, following the herring-bone-stitched thread path to keep the thread hidden. Secure the thread and trim. Repeat to connect the remaining rope to the other simple loop.

clasp: Use the tail thread of l rope to string l bicone, one 6mm pearl, 4A, one half of the clasp, and 4A; pass back through the pearl and bicone and continue into the rope end. Repeat the thread path to reinforce. Secure the thread and trim.

Repeat entire step to connect the other rope to the remaining half of the clasp in the same manner. •

At just nineteen, **SCARLETT LANSON** has discovered many new and ingenious ways to stitch with seed beads, crystals, gemstones, and pearls. She intends to publish an inspirational book for beaders and run her own bead store in the future. Visit her website at www.thebeadersmuse.com and contact her at scarlatte424@yahoo.com.

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fast fabulous

You don't have to invest a lot of studio time beading these three stylish necklaces to garner sparkling rewards. Wear to a New Year's Eve party, dinner out with friends, or on a cold winter day when you need a little buzz of warm holiday cheer.







DANIELLE FOX

Nothing says "festive" like metallic fire-polished beads and iridescent sequins! Here, these two materials are combined with gold findings to create a party-perfect Y-shaped necklace.

MATERIALS

16 bronze size 11° seed beads 23 cranberry 3mm fire-polished rounds 8 transparent blue 7×4mm fire-polished rondelles

21 metallic cranberry 9mm fire-polished

23 indigo AB 14mm flower sequins 1 gold-plated 7×12mm lobster clasp 28 gold-filled 24-gauge 11/2" head pins 1 gold-filled 6mm jump ring 2 gold-filled 2mm crimp tubes 2 gold-filled 3mm crimp covers 10" of gold-plated 5×7mm oval chain 13" of satin gold .018 beading wire

TOOLS

2 pairs of chain- or flat-nose pliers Round-nose pliers Wire cutters Crimping pliers

FINISHED SIZE: 171/2" (ADJUSTABLE)

1) STRAP. Make the necklace's strap using chain, beads, and sequins: Dangles: Use I head pin to string one

3mm round and 1 sequin; form a wrapped loop. Repeat seventeen times for a total of 18 sequin dangles. Repeat once more, attaching the wrapped loop to one end of one 4" (19-link) piece of chain.

Stringing: Use the beading wire to string l crimp tube and the free end of the

previous piece of chain; pass back through the tube and crimp. Cover the tube with 1 crimp cover. *String one 9mm round. String {1 seed bead, l rondelle, l seed bead, one 9mm round, 3 sequin dangles, and one 9mm round) three times. String 1 seed bead, 1 rondelle, 1 seed bead, and one 9mm round. String one end of one 11/4" (6-link) piece of chain. Repeat from *, reversing the stringing sequence. String 1 crimp tube and one end of another 4" (19link) piece of chain; pass back through the tube and crimp. Cover the tube with 1 crimp cover. Use the jump ring to attach the clasp to the free end of the previous piece of chain.

2) FOCAL. Embellish the 1¹/₄" (6-link) piece of chain with dangles:

Link 1: Use I head pin to string one 9mm round; form a wrapped loop that attaches to the free end of the 11/4" (6-link) piece of chain.

Links 2-5: Use I head pin to string one 3mm round and 1 sequin, then form a wrapped loop that attaches to the next chain link (Link 2); repeat to attach a second sequin dangle to the same chain link. Use I head pin to string one 9mm round, then form a wrapped loop that attaches to the next chain link (Link 3); repeat to attach a second 9mm round dangle to the same chain link. Repeat to attach 2 sequin dangles to Link 4 and two 9mm round dangles to Link 5.

RESOURCES

Check your local bead shop or contact: All firepolished rounds: Aloha Bead Co., (808) 579-9709. Sequins: Gail Crosman Moore, gail@gailcrosman moore.com, www.gailcrosmanmoore.com. Goldplated chain and clasp: The Whole Bead Shop, (800) 796-5350, www.wholebeadshop.com. Head pins, crimp tubes and covers, and Beadalon beading wire: FusionBeads.com, (888) 781-3559.

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technique information.

lavender loops

JAMIE HOGSETT





Eleven colors of crystals and three colors of wire were used for this necklace's elegant loops. The colors of the wire are so pretty that a bit of each was left exposed, adding to the piece's ombré-style color shading.

MATERIALS

32 tanzanite 4mm crystal rounds
304 total 4mm crystal bicones: 24 tanzanite
satin, 32 violet, 32 violet satin, 32 amethyst,
32 amethyst satin, 32 light amethyst satin,
32 fuchsia, 32 ruby, 32 ruby satin, and
24 garnet

21 sterling silver 2mm crimp tubes 3 sterling silver 3mm crimp tubes 40" of amethyst .019 beading wire 40" of pink tourmaline .019 beading wire 40" of spinel .019 beading wire

TOOLS

Wire cutters

Magical Crimp Forming Tool

Mighty Crimper crimping pliers

FINISHED SIZE: 26"

1) PLAIN LOOPS. Form loops of wire without crystals: Use 4" of each color wire to string one 3mm crimp tube. Use the other ends of the wires to pass back through the tube, forming a circle. Adjust the loop so only ½" or less of wire protrudes from each end of the tube; crimp the tube using the Mighty crimping pliers and trim the wire ends. Repeat entire step twice for a total of 3 plain loops. Set aside.

2) TANZANITE TO VIOLET CRYSTAL LOOPS. Form loops of crystals with beading wire and use the Magical Crimp Forming Tool to crimp the tubes:

Loop 1: Use 4" of amethyst wire to string one 2mm crimp tube, 16 tanzanite satin bicones, and 1 plain loop; pass through the tube, forming a circle.

Adjust the loop so only 1/8" or less of wire protrudes from each end of the

tube; crimp the tube and trim the wire.

Loop 2: Use 4" of amethyst wire to string one 2mm crimp tube. String {1 tanzanite satin bicone and 1 tanzanite round} eight times. String the previous loop. Pass through the tube, forming a circle. Adjust the loop so only 1/8" or less of wire protrudes from each end of the tube; crimp the tube and trim the wire.

Loop 3: Repeat Loop 2 using 16 tanzanite rounds.

Loop 4: Repeat Loop 2 alternating between 1 tanzanite round and 1 violet bicone to add a total of 16 crystals.

Loop 5: Repeat Loop 2 using 16 violet bicones.

Loop 6: Repeat Loop 2
alternating between
l violet bicone and
l violet satin bicone to
add a total of
l6 crystals.

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using 16 violet satin bicones and stringing 1 plain circle before passing back through the crimp tube.

3) AMETHYST TO FUCHSIA CRYSTAL LOOPS. Repeat stringing, crimping, and connecting loops as in Step 2, attaching Loop 8 to the last plain loop added in Step 2, using spinel wire, and the following crystal colors:

Loops 8–14: Use alternating violet satin and amethyst bicones for Loop 8. Use amethyst bicones for Loop 9. Use alternating amethyst and amethyst satin bicones for Loop 10. Use amethyst satin bicones for Loop 11. Use alternating amethyst satin and light

ARTIST'S TIP

The Magical Crimp Forming Tool not only crimps crimp tubes but also turns them into nice round beads. If you don't have this tool, use regular crimping pliers with the 2mm crimp tubes in Steps 2–4. For a clean look, cover the crimp tubes with 3mm crimp covers.

amethyst satin bicones for Loop 12. Use light amethyst satin bicones for Loop 13. Use alternating light amethyst satin and fuchsia bicones for Loop 14, stringing the final plain circle before passing back through the crimp tube.

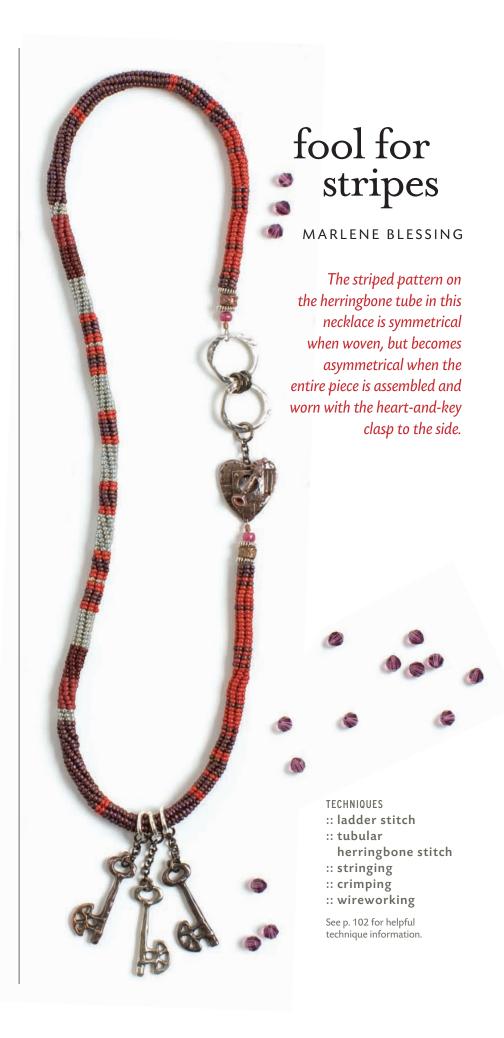
4) FUCHSIA TO GARNET CRYSTAL

LOOPS. Repeat stringing and connecting loops as in Step 2, attaching Loop 15 to the last plain loop added in Step 3, using pink tourmaline wire, and the following crystal colors:

Loops 15-21: Use fuchsia bicones for Loop 15. Use alternating fuchsia and ruby bicones for Loop 16. Use ruby bicones for Loop 17. Use alternating ruby and ruby satin bicones for Loop 18. Use ruby satin bicones for Loop 19. Use alternating ruby satin and garnet bicones for Loop 20. Use garnet bicones for Loop 21, stringing the first plain circle added in Step 1 before passing back through the crimp tube. •

RESOURCES

Check your local bead shop or contact: Swarovski crystals and Magical Crimp Forming Tool: FusionBeads.com, (888) 781-3559. All other beads and findings: Soft Flex Co., (866) 925-3539, www.softflexcompany.com.



MATERIALS

- 8 g matte metallic reddish purple iris size 11° seed beads (A)
- 5 g paprika opaque size 11° seed beads (B)
- 3 g ice blue gold luster size 11° seed beads (C)
- 3 g matte amber-lined brick size 11° seed beads (D)
- 3 g chocolate opaque size 11° seed beads (E)
- 2 faceted 4×3mm ruby rondelles
- 2 sterling silver 19mm textured irregular rings
- 3 metal 16×35mm key charms (1 pewter, 1 sterling silver, and 1 shibuichi)
- 4 Bali silver 2.5×7mm coiled wire spacers
- 2 copper 3.5×7mm textured cylinder spacers
- 1 shibuichi 22mm heart-and-key toggle clasp
- 7 gunmetal 5.5mm jump rings
- 4 gunmetal 7mm jump rings
- 3 sterling silver 10mm jump rings
- 2 copper 2mm crimp tubes

2½" of gunmetal 3.5mm round chain Beige size D nylon beading thread

23½" of .019 beading wire

TOOLS

Scissors
Size 11 beading needle
Wire cutters
Crimping pliers
2 pairs of chain- or flat-nose pliers

FINISHED SIZE: 24"

1) TUBE. Use size ll° seed beads to work a herringbone-stitched tube:

Round 1: Use 6' of thread to work a strip of ladder stitch 6A long, leaving a 4" tail. Stitch the first and last beads together to form a ring (Fig. 1).



Fig. 1: Connecting the ends of the ladder-stitched strip

Rounds 2–182: Work tubular herringbone stitch off the previous round, working 2 rounds of A and 1 round of B (Fig. 2).

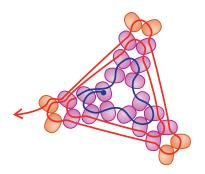


Fig. 2: Rounds 1-4 of the herringbone-stitched tube

Continue working rounds of color in this sequence: 1A, 5B, 1A, 9B, 1A, 1B, 1A, 1B, 1A, 9B, 1A, 5B, 1A, 1B, 4A, 2B, 4A, 1B, 4A, 2B, 24A, 2B, 22A, 3C, 7D, 8E, 9C, 2B, 3A, 2B, 1C, 2B, 3A, 2B, 9C, 2B, 4A, 2B, 9C, 2B, 4A, and 2B.

Rounds 183–191: Stitch 9 rounds of C.
Rounds 192–372: Repeat Rounds 182–2, in that order, to reverse the established pattern.

Round 373: Stitch 1 round of A. Weave through this final round using a ladder-stitch thread path.

2) NECKLACE. Use the beading wire to string 1 crimp tube and the heart half of the clasp; pass back through the tube and crimp. String 1 ruby rondelle, 1 silver spacer, 1 copper spacer, 1 silver spacer, and 19³/₄" of A. String the herringbone-stitched tube and slide the tube down over the A. String 1 silver spacer, 1 copper spacer, 1 silver spacer, 1 ruby rondelle, and 1 crimp tube. String 3 silver 10mm jump rings and slide them over the tube. String one 19mm ring; pass back through the tube and crimp. Use

3 gunmetal 7mm jump rings to attach the second 19mm ring to the first. Use 1 gunmetal 7mm jump ring to attach one end of one ½" piece of chain to the second ring. Use 1 gunmetal 5.5mm jump ring to attach the free end of the chain to the key half of the clasp.

3) KEY DANGLES. Cut the remaining chain into ½", ½", and ¾" pieces. Use 1 gunmetal 5.5mm jump ring to attach each key charm to one end of each piece of chain. Use 1 gunmetal 5.5mm jump ring to attach the free end of each chain to 1 silver 10mm jump ring on the herringbone tube, placing the longest dangle on the middle ring. For an asymmetrical design, slide the 10mm jump rings down the tube so they are about 5½" from the heart half of the clasp. ◆

ARTIST'S TIP

When starting a herringbonestitched tube, you may find it easiest to work over a knitting needle or the handle of a paintbrush for the first several rounds.

RESOURCES

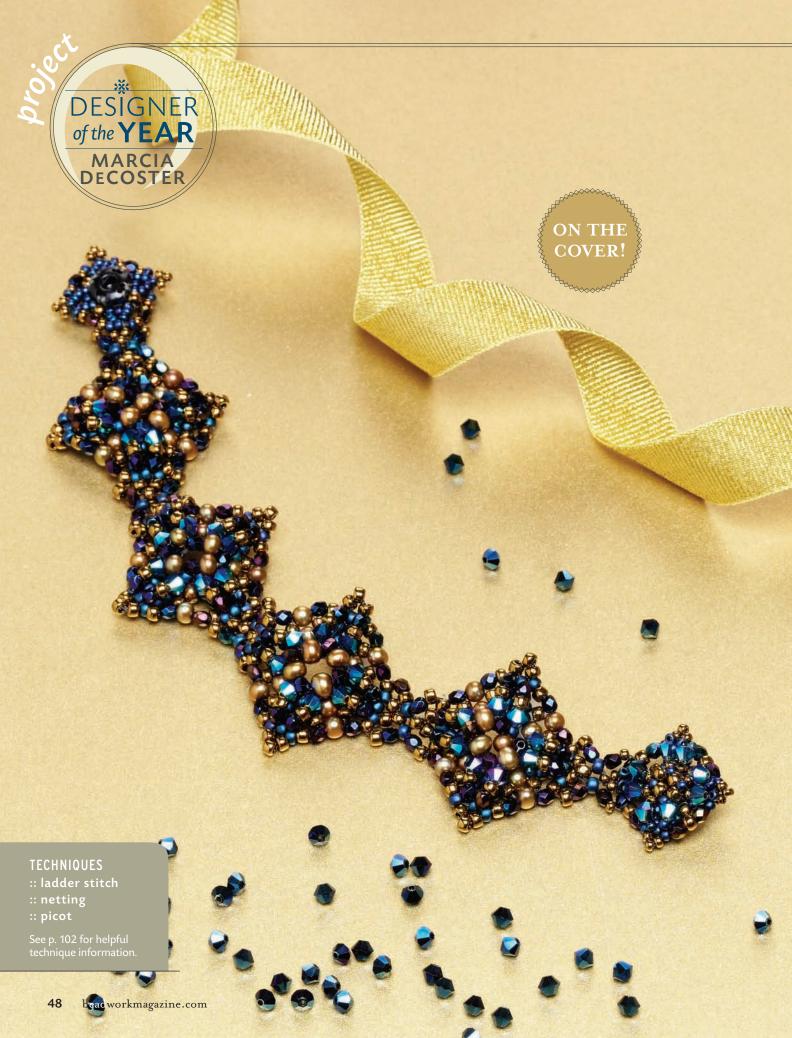
Check your local bead shop or contact: Seed beads and Nymo nylon beading thread: Beyond Beadery, (800) 840-5548, www.beyondbeadery .com. Clasp and keys: Green Girl Studios, (828) 298-2263, www.greengirlstudios.com. 19mm rings: Pacific Silverworks, (805) 641-1394, www.pacific silverworks.com. Snapeez jump rings: Via Murano, (877) 842-6872, www.viamurano.com. Chain: FusionBeads.com, (888) 781-3559. Similar silver spacers: Rishashay, (800) 517-3311, www.rishashay .com. Copper spacers: Silk Road Treasures, (866) 775-7710, www.silkroadtreasures.com

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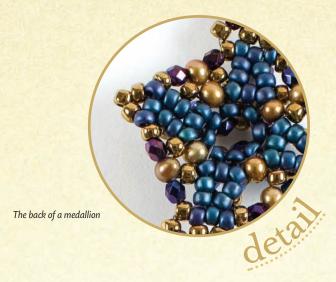


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in a while, as illustrated in this issue's project's use of ladder, picot, and netting stitches. Marcia was glad she was invited to be one of *Beadwork*'s 2009 Designers of the Year and enjoyed the projects she made during that time. She looks forward to more designing, teaching, and writing in the coming year.

Keep track of Marcia's travels by reading her blog at www.maddesignsbeads.blogspot.com or visit her website, www.marciadecoster.com. Many exciting adventures are on the horizon!



Stitch a jeweled medallion embellished with crystals and firepolished beads for a rich metallic look. Join the medallions on point to present a string of diamonds that will make an excellent addition to your holiday wardrobe.

MATERIALS

0.5 g matte metallic blue luster size 11° seed beads (A)

0.5 g metallic bronze size 11° seed beads (B)

6 g matte metallic blue luster size 8° seed beads (C)

5 g metallic bronze size 8° seed beads (D)

112 jet AB2X 3mm fire-polished rounds (E)

40 jet AB 4mm bicones (F)

48 bronze 3.5×4mm potato pearls (G)

1 metal 8mm snap set

Smoke 6 lb braided beading thread

TOOLS

Scissors

Size 11 beading needle

FINISHED SIZE: 71/4"

ARTIST'S TIP

Changing the beads in this medallion can take it from funky fun to nightlife glitz. Try a more opaque palette with spring colors for a casual look or try black and silver for your New Year's Eve outing!

1) LARGE MEDALLIONS. Use ladder stitch and netting to form large square medallions that will be used in the body of the bracelet:

Round 1: Use 3' of doubled thread to work a strip of single-stack ladder stitch 8C long. Connect the first and last C in the strip to form a ring (Fig. 1).

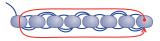


Fig. 1: Connecting the ladder-stitched strip into a ring to form Round 1

Round 2: String 3C and pass down through the next Round 1 C and up through the following one; repeat three more times to form 4 nets. Step up through the first C added in this step (Fig. 2).

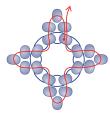


Fig. 2: Adding 4 nets to create Round 2

Round 3: String 5C, skip the next C of Round 1, and pass down through the following, then string 1G and pass up through the next C of Round 1 (Fig. 3); repeat three times to form 4 nets and add a total of 4 pearls. Step up through the middle (third) C added in this round.

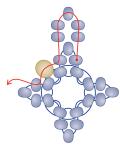


Fig. 3: Working Round 3's first stitch

Round 4 (picots): String 3D and pass through the last C exited to form a picot and weave through the beads to exit the middle C at the tip of the next Round 3 net (Fig. 4); repeat three times to form 4 picots, exiting the middle C of a Round 3 net.

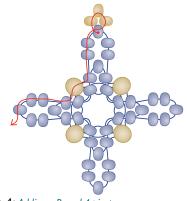


Fig. 4: Adding a Round 4 picot

Round 5: String 1E, 1D, and 1F; pass down through the nearest C of Round 1.

String 1G; pass up through the next C of Round 1. String 1F, 1D, and 1E; pass through the middle C of the next Round 3 net (Fig. 5). Repeat three times to embellish the face of the beadwork, exiting the middle C of a Round 3 net.

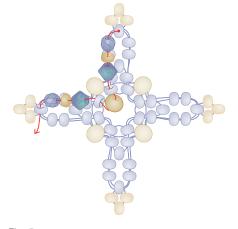
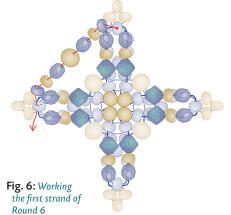


Fig. 5: Adding the first embellishment beads of Round 5

Round 6: String 1C, 1D, 1E, 1G, 1E, 1D, and 1C and pass through the middle C of the next Round 3 net (Fig. 6); repeat



three times to connect the medallion's points into a square. Weave through beads to exit the first G added in this round.

Round 7: String 1D; pass through the nearest G of Round 3. String 1D; pass through the last G exited and continue through beads to exit the next G of Round 6 (Fig. 7). Repeat around to add a total of 8D, connecting the Round 6 bead strands to the G of Round 3. Weave through beads to exit from a G of Round 5.

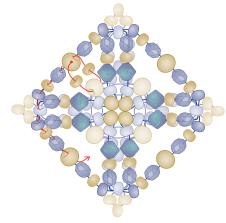


Fig. 7: Connecting the pearls of Rounds 3 and 7

Round 8: String 1E and pass through the next G of Round 5; repeat three times to add a total of 4E (Fig. 8). Weave through beads to exit a D at the tip of a picot added in Round 4. Do not cut the thread; set aside.

Repeat entire step three times for a total of 4 large medallions.

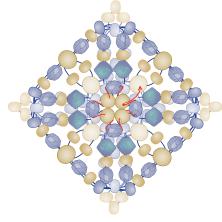


Fig. 8: Adding 3mm fire-polished rounds to the center of the medallion

2) SMALL (CLASP) MEDALLIONS.

Stitch smaller medallions to be used as the clasp connection; the top of the clasp will be embellished similar to the larger medallions, while the clasp bottom will not have embellishments:

clasp top: Repeat Rounds 1–4 of the large medallion, substituting A for C, B for D, and D for G. For Round 5, make the embellishment strands with 1A/1F/1B and substitute D for G. Repeat Round 6, substituting the bead strands with this sequence: 1A, 1E, 1D, 1E, 1A. Skip Round 7. Repeat Round 8, substituting A for E. Sew the male half of the snap to the center back of the medallion. Secure the thread and trim. Set aside.

Clasp bottom: Repeat Rounds 1–4 of the large medallion, substituting A for C, B for D, and D for G. Skip Round 5. Repeat Round 6, substituting the bead strands with this sequence: 1A, 1B, 1E, 1B, 1A. Skip Rounds 7 and 8. Sew the female half of the snap to the front of the medallion. Weave through beads to exit down through a B added in Round 6. Do not trim the thread; set aside.

3) CONNECTIONS. Use the working thread of one large medallion to string 1C; pass up through the D at the tip of a Round 4 picot on a second large medallion, at a point opposite the second medallion's working thread. String 1C; pass down through the last D exited on the first medallion, the fist 1C added in this step, the D at the tip of the Round 4 picot on the second large medallion, the adjacent lD of the picot, and lC and lD of Round 6 (Fig. 9a). String 1D and 1E; pass through the second C added in this step. String IE and ID; pass down through the first medallion's nearest 1D and 1C of Round 6. Pass through the middle C of the nearest Round 3 net and the nearest 1C and 1D of Round 6. String 1D and 1E; pass through the first C added in this step. String 1E and 1D; pass up through the second medallion's nearest 1D and 1C of Round 6 (Fig. 9b). Secure the thread and trim.

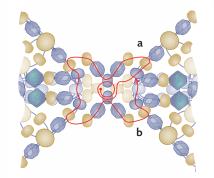


Fig. 9: Connecting 2 medallions

Repeat entire step to connect all 4 large medallions in a row, taking care that the embellished sides face up. Use a similar thread path to join the clasp ends on opposite ends of the connected medallions, keeping the snaps positioned properly for closure. Secure all threads and trim. •

RESOURCES

Check your local bead shop or contact: Seed beads: Out On A Whim, (800) 232-3111, www.whimbeads.com. Fire-polished rounds and FireLine braided beading thread: Artbeads.com, (866) 715-2323. Swarovski crystals: FusionBeads.com, (888) 781-3559. Snap: Jo-Ann Fabric and Craft, (888) 739-4120, www.joann.com.



The clasp top

BEADWORK



DESIGNER of the YEAR

pearl embrace collar

Right-angle-weave a pearl base and embellish it with seed beads and crystals to create this classy, sparkling wintertime necklace.





MATERIALS

- 10 g black diamond AB size 15° Japanese seed beads (A)
- 3 g antique gold size 15° Japanese seed beads (B)
- 3 g black diamond luster size 11° Japanese seed beads (C)
- 136 silver 4.5mm pearls (D)
- 23 crystal AB 6mm crystal flowers
- 1 silver 9×16mm ball-and-socket clasp Smoke 6 lb braided beading thread

TOOLS

Scissors
No Tangle bobbin
Size 12 needles

FINISHED SIZE: 16"



ABOUT THE ARTIST

Lisa Kan is a bead and lampwork artist who enjoys sharing her design techniques through writing. With an eye for color and textural balance, she often combines crystals, pearls, and seed beads with basic beading stitches to build more complex designs. This design utilizes silver and gray to evoke a frosty, wintry theme. The holiday season's

ability to bring family and friends together was the inspiration for this necklace's XOXO design motif, achieved with right-angle weave and netted stitches. Lisa is the author of *Bead Romantique: Elegant Beadweaving Designs* (Interweave, 2008).

Visit her website, www.lisakan.com, to see more of her work, and read her blog at www.lisakan.blogspot.com.

ARTIST'S TIPS

- When sizing the necklace, keep in mind that each right-angle-weave unit equals about ½" and that adding too many units may alter the natural curvature; if you need more length, consider changing to a clasp with an extender chain.
- For a less dressy alternative, use keishi pearls or matte sequins instead of flowers. The embellishment beads should lie flat on the surface and be no smaller than 4mm, but no larger than 6mm.
 For an even simpler design, omit the embellishment beads altogether.
- Consider working shorter sections of the necklace and using them as components that can be linked with chain or embellished further.

1) BASE. Use pearls and seed beads to form a right-angle-weave base.

Unit 1: Wrap half of a 3' length of thread around the bobbin to use later. String {ID and IC} four times. Tie the beads into a tight circle and pass through the first D strung.

Unit 2: String {IC and ID} three times.

String IC and pass through the last D exited on the previous unit and the first 4 beads just strung (Fig. 1).

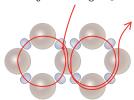


Fig. 1: Working Units 1 and 2

Units 3-45: Repeat Unit 2 forty-three times. Secure the working thread and trim.

2) EMBELLISHMENT. Stitch seed beads and crystals over the base:

Loops: Ravel the tail thread from the bobbin. Pass through the nearest IC of the first base unit. String 3A, 1B, and 3A and pass through the next C of the first base unit; repeat around to add 4 loops. Step up through the first B added in this section (Fig. 2).

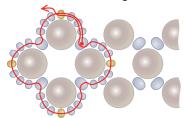


Fig. 2: Adding embellishment loops

Center: Pass through the B at the tip of each loop, pulling tight so the beads come together at the center of the base unit. Step up through the first B exited in this section (Fig. 3).

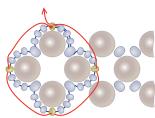


Fig. 3: Forming the center by joining the loops

Flower: String 1 flower and 1B; pass back through the flower and through the B opposite the last one exited at the center (Fig. 4). Center the flower by passing through the next center B, the flower, the B just added, back through the flower, and through the center B opposite the last one exited. Weave through the beads to exit 1C of the next base unit.

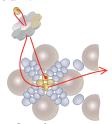


Fig. 4: Adding a flower fringe

Alternating embellishments: Repeat the loops and center sections, then weave through beads to the following base unit. Repeat the loops, center, and flower sections and weave through beads to the subsequent base unit. Continue alternating the embellishments down the base, ending with a flower embellishment. Secure the thread and trim.

3) SHAPING. Use seed beads to curve the straight base into a circle:

End 1: Wrap half of a 3' length of thread around the bobbin to use later. Start this new thread so it exits the top left C of Unit 1. String 7A; pass through the bottom left C of Unit 1.

Bottom edge loops: String 7A; pass through the bottom right C of Unit 1. String 1A; pass through the bottom left C of Unit 2. Repeat along the base's edge (Fig. 5), connecting the bottoms of all 45 units with loops. *Note:* The beadwork will form a gentle curve.

End 2: String 7A; pass through the topright C of Unit 45.

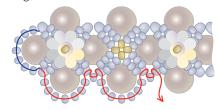


Fig. 5: Embellishing the bottom

Top edge: Weave through the top D and top-left C of the current base unit and the top-right C of the next unit; pull tight. Repeat along the base's edge, connecting the tops of all 45 base units without adding any beads and further tightening the necklace's gentle curve. Secure the working thread and trim.

4) CLASP AND PICOTS. Add a clasp and picot embellishment:

clasp (first half): Ravel the tail thread from the bobbin. Weave through beads to exit from the middle A at End 1, toward the bottom of the base. String 1C, 2A, one half of the clasp, and 3A; pass back through the 1C just strung and through the middle A at End 1 (Fig. 6a). Repeat the thread path to reinforce. Weave through the End 1 beads, the bottom-left C of Unit 1, and continue through to exit the middle A of the first loop at the bottom of Unit 1.

Picot: String 3B; pass through the last middle A exited to form a picot and continue weaving through the bottom edge beads to exit from the middle A of the next bottom loop. Repeat, this time adding a 3A picot (Fig. 6b). Repeat down the base edge, alternating A and B picots for a total of 45 picots.



Fig. 6: Attaching the clasp and stitching picots

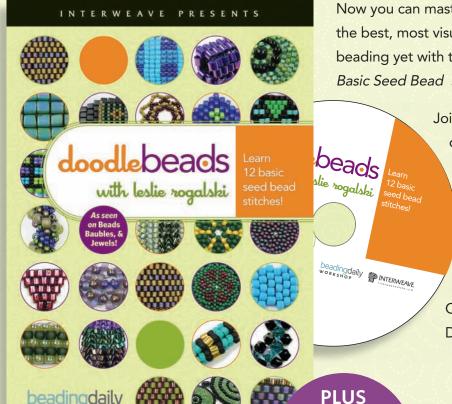
Clasp (second half): Weave through beads to exit the middle bead of End 2. Attach the second half of the clasp as before.

Secure the thread and trim. ◆

RESOURCES

Check your local bead shop or contact:
Pearls: Lisa Kan Designs, lisakandesigns@
yahoo.com, www.lisakan.com. Seed beads,
Swarovski 3700 margarita flowers, and clasp:
San Gabriel Bead Co., (626) 447-7753, www
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DESIGNER of the YEAR

interconnections

Peyote-stitched tubes, created in colors that are inspired by the hues in the glass pendant, are bound together to form a unique seed-bead chain.



ABOUT THE ARTIST

Jamie Hogsett is a jewelry designer, freelance editor, and Soft Flex Company's education coordinator. She is the author of Stringing Style (Interweave, 2005) and coauthor of the Create Jewelry series: Pearls, Crystals, Stones, and Glass (Interweave, 2007–2009). She hasn't worked with peyote stitch in quite some time and was happily

reminded of how meditative the stitch can be while she was beading the links of this bold necklace.

Contact Jamie via www.jamiehogsett.blogspot.com.

ARTIST'S TIP

When stitching the peyote tubes, be sure to work with fairly loose tension so that the tubes will easily bend when formed

into links.

MATERIALS

- 5 g matte teal-lined amber size 11° seed beads (A)
- 8 g silver blue-lined crystal size 11° seed beads (B)
- 5 g matte amethyst size 11° seed beads (C)
- 5 g matte silver-lined yellow olivine size 11° seed beads (D)
- 5 g matte gray-lined dark olive size 11° seed beads (E)
- 1 purple/green/blue 38×50mm lampworked glass swirl pendant
- 1 sterling silver 12×19mm lobster clasp
- 2 sterling silver 6mm jump rings
- 6 sterling silver 3mm crimp tubes
- 8" of sterling silver 14×20mm hammered oval chain

72" of nontarnish silver 24-gauge wire 50" of .024 beading wire Clear 6 lb braided beading thread

TOOLS

Scissors
Size 12 beading needle
Wire cutters
Mighty crimping pliers
2 pairs of chain-nose pliers
Bead stop

FINISHED SIZE: 19"

BEADWORK



1) TUBES 1 AND 2. Use seed beads to work tubular peyote-stitch tubes:

8A; pass through all the beads again to form a circle. Tie a surgeon's knot and pass through the first bead again.

Round 3: Work tubular peyote stitch with I bead in each stitch in this order: IA, IB, IA, and IB. Step up for the next and subsequent rounds by passing through the first bead in this round (Fig. 1).

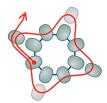


Fig. 1: Peyote-stitching Round 3

Round 4: Work tubular peyote stitch with lA in each stitch.

Round 5: Repeat Round 3.

Round 6: Work tubular peyote stitch with 1A in each stitch.

Rounds 7–63: Repeat Rounds 3–6 fourteen more times. Repeat Round 6 once more. Secure the thread and trim. Set the tube aside.

Repeat entire step once to form Tube 2.

2) TUBES 3–10. Stitch more tubes in the following colorways:

Tubes 3 and 4: Repeat Step 1 using B instead of A and C instead of B.

Tubes 5 and 6: Repeat Step 1 using C instead of A and D instead of B.

Tubes 7 and 8: Repeat Step 1 using D instead of A and E instead of B.

Tubes 9 and 10: Repeat Step 1 using E instead of A.

3) FOCAL. Create a focal link to hang the pendant:

Tubes: Use 10" of beading wire to string 1 crimp tube and beaded Tube 1, leaving a 1" tail. Pass back through the crimp tube and crimp, so Tube 1 curves into a loop (Fig. 2). Use the other end of the beading wire to string the pendant, 1 crimp tube, and Tube 2. Pass back through the crimp tube and crimp. Trim any excess wire.

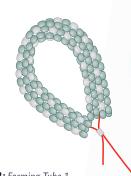


Fig. 2: Forming Tube 1

coils: Wrap 12" of 24-gauge wire around one of the previously placed crimp tubes, covering the crimp. Tuck the wire ends under the pendant's bail and trim any excess (Fig. 3). Repeat to cover the other crimp tube.



Fig. 3: Covering a crimp tube with wire

4) LINKS. Use 10" of beading wire to string 1 crimp tube and slide it to the center of the wire. Use one wire end to string Tube 5. Pass back through the crimp tube and place a bead stop on the wire end to hold the loop in place (Fig. 4a). Use the other wire end to string Tube 3 and the loop formed by Tube 1 in the previous step; pass back through the crimp tube just placed, snug the wires, and crimp (Fig. 4b). Remove the bead stop and trim any excess wire. Use 12" of

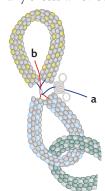


Fig. 4: Joining Tubes 3 and 5

24-gauge wire to wrap around and cover the crimp tube, tucking the wire ends inside the beaded tubes.

Repeat entire step, attaching Tube 7 to Tube 5 and Tube 9 to one end of one $3\frac{1}{2}$ " piece of chain.

Repeat entire step to mirror the first half of the necklace, connecting the remaining Tubes and one end of one 3½" piece of chain.

5) CLASP. Use l jump ring to attach the clasp to the free end of one length of chain. Attach l jump ring to the free end of the remaining length of chain. ◆

RESOURCES

Check your local bead shop or contact:
Seed beads and FireLine braided beading thread: Beyond Beadery, (800) 840-5548, www.beyondbeadery.com. Borosilicate lampworked glass pendant: Ben Burton Glass, (808) 258-3808, www.benburtonglass.com. Nontarnish silver wire, beading wire, and crimp tubes: Soft Flex Co., (866) 925-3539, www.softflexcompany.com. Clasp, chain, and jump rings: FusionBeads.com, (888) 781-3559.

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DESIGNER of the YEAR

glam garland

Wear this bold reversible off-loom extravaganza to your next holiday party and you're sure to witness a good dose of jaw-dropping.

ABOUT THE ARTIST

Jean Campbell designs, teaches, and writes about beadwork. She is the founding editor of *Beadwork* magazine, a Create Your Style Swarovski Crystallized Elements ambassador, and author of *Steampunk-Style Jewelry* (Creative Publishing International, 2010). Her design this issue is an over-the-top beadwoven spectacle employing materials that aren't



usually used together: seed beads, crystals, and resin. Plus, her use of size 8° seed beads makes this design fairly quick to stitch.

Find out more about what's on Jean's beading mind in her weekly blog on beadingdaily.com and on her website, www.jeancampbellink.com.

MATERIALS

32 permanent-galvanized metallic lavender size 11° seed beads

10 g permanent-galvanized metallic red size 8° seed beads (A)

10 g permanent-galvanized metallic mauve size 8° seed beads (B)

10 g permanent-galvanized metallic lavender size 8° seed beads (C)

147 peridot 6mm crystal rounds

19 dark green 8mm crystal pearl rounds

16 dark green 12mm crystal pearl rounds

11 red 32×5mm resin horizontally drilled rings

2 sterling silver 2" head pins

28 sterling silver 5mm jump rings

4 sterling silver 2mm crimp tubes

Smoke 6 lb braided beading thread

12" of .018 beading wire

Beeswax

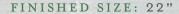
Clear jeweler's adhesive

ARTIST'S TIPS

- This necklace is reversible—it looks great front and back.
- The necklace shown here has a holiday-themed colorway, but any colorway will do.
- Not into the sparkly look of crystals? Substitute any type of bead for the 6mm, 8mm, and/or 12mm beads.
- The starbursts on this necklace are ripe with possibilities! Make a couple and hook them to ear wires for a glamorous pair of earrings.
 Or make several, link them together, and add a clasp for a flashy bracelet.

TOOLS

Scissors
Size 11 beading needle
2 pairs of chain-nose pliers
Round-nose pliers
Crimping pliers
Awl
Thread burner
Wire cutters





1) **STARBURSTS**. Use 4' of waxed doubled thread to embellish the resin rings by stitching rings of tubular-peyote stitch, netting, and fringe:

Rounds 1 and 2: String 22A, leaving a 2" tail. Tie a square knot to form a tight circle. Pass through all the beads again, pulling the working thread as you go to hide the knot and tail thread within the beads.

Round 3: Use IA in each stitch to peyotestitch a total of IIA. Step up for the next and subsequent rounds by passing through the first bead added in the round.

Round 4: Repeat Round 3.

Pearl: String one 12mm pearl; pass through 1A on the opposite side of the tube to seat the pearl. Pass back through the pearl and through the first 1A exited in this step. Repeat the thread path to reinforce. Exit from an A of Round 4 (Fig. 1).

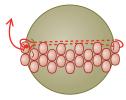


Fig. 1: Adding a pearl to the center of a peyote-stitched tube

Rounds 5 and 6: Continue working tubular peyote stitch with lA in each stitch to form a beaded tube 6 rounds high.

Round 7 (back): String 1B, 1C, and 1B; pass through the next 1A of the previous round and pull tight. Repeat around to add a total of 11 nets (Fig. 2). Weave through beads to exit from Round 1.

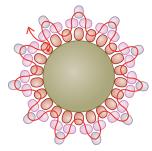


Fig. 2: Adding 3-bead nets between Round 6 beads

Ring: Pass the working thread through the center opening of l ring. Pull the beaded tube into the center of the ring. *Note:* Round 7 will stop the tube from sliding out the front.

Round 8 (front): Repeat Round 7, working off of the beads of Round 1. Exit from 1C. Note: You will most likely need to use an awl to press the beads back, allowing you to pass your needle through the beads, then use chainnose pliers to pull the needle through.

Fringe: String 1C, one 6mm round, and 1C; pass back through the 6mm round. String 1C; pass through the next 1C of Round 8 (Fig. 3). Repeat around to add a total of 11 fringes. Weave through all beads again to reinforce. Secure the thread and trim. Set aside.

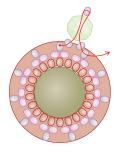


Fig. 3: Adding fringe to the front of a starburst

Repeat entire step eight times to form a total of 9 beaded starbursts.

connector starbursts: Use l head pin to string l resin ring from inside to outside so the head of the pin sits inside the ring. Form a wrapped loop to secure the pin (Fig. 4). Repeat stitching instructions to make a starburst that sits inside the ring as before. Repeat this step to form a second connector starburst.



Fig. 4: Attaching a head pin to a ring

2) TOGGLE RING. Use 3' of waxed doubled thread to form a clasp ring:
Base: Create a hollow peyote-stitched tube with netted ends: Repeat

Rounds 1–6 of Step 1 using B (instead of A), omitting the pearl. Repeat Rounds 7 and 8 of Step 1 using 3C in each stitch (instead of 1B, 1C, and 1B), omitting the ring. Omit the fringe added to Round 8 in Step 1.

Round 9 (outside): String lA and pass through the middle C of the next Round 7 net, then string lA and pass through the next lC in Round 8; repeat to zip together Rounds 7 and 8 on the outside of the central tube (Fig. 5). Exit from lC of Round 7 or 8.

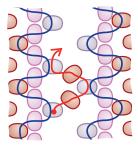


Fig. 5: Zipping together the outside edge of the clasp ring

connection loop: String 6 size 11°s; pass through the last 1C exited and the next 1A. Weave through the 6 size 11°s just added and pass through the nearest 1A. This centers the loop on the outside edge of the ring. If possible, repeat the thread path to reinforce; secure the thread and trim.

3) TOGGLE BAR. Use 3' of waxed, doubled thread to peyote-stitch a strip 14°C wide and 6 rows long. Fold the strip lengthwise and zip the first and last rows together into a tube. Exit from an end bead. String 1A and loop under the exposed thread between the next 2 end Cs (Fig. 6); repeat around to add a total of 3A. Pass through the 3A again to

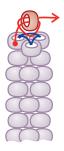


Fig. 6: Starting the toggle bar edging

reinforce. Weave through the C to exit midtube. String 6 size 11°s and pass through the last C exited to form a loop; if possible, repeat the thread path to reinforce. Continue weaving through C to exit from an end bead at the other end of the tube. Repeat the 3A embellishment as before. Secure the thread and trim.

4) FOCAL RING. Use 6' of doubled thread to stitch a tubular peyotestitched focal ring:

Base: Repeat the toggle ring in Step 2, this time starting with 52B; omit the connection loop. Exit from a C in Round 7.

crystal fringe: String 1C, one 6mm round, and 1C; pass back through the 6mm round. String 1C; pass through the next 1C added in Round 7.

Repeat around to add a total of 21 crystal fringes.

Small pearl fringe: String 1C, one 6mm round, one 8mm pearl, and 1C; pass back through the pearl and 6mm round. String 1C; pass through the next 1C of Round 7.

Medium pearl fringe: String 1C, one 6mm round, one 12mm pearl, and 1C; pass back through the pearl and 6mm round. String 1C; pass through the next 1C of Round 7.

Large pearl fringe: String 1C, one 6mm round, one 8mm pearl, one 12mm pearl, and 1C; pass back through the pearls and 6mm round. String 1C; pass through the next 1C added in Round 7.

Work another medium pearl fringe and another small pearl fringe. If possible, repeat all fringe thread paths to reinforce. Secure the thread and trim. Set the focal ring aside.

5) ASSEMBLY. Arrange 4 regular starbursts (those without the connection head pin) into a diamond so the fringe ends just touch. Place a connector starburst, loop side pointing upward, at the top of the diamond. Use jump rings to join the starbursts,

ARTIST'S TIP Although you're working with doubled thread in this project, you'll still want to reinforce your beadwork by weaving through the beads as many times as the thread holes will allow. connecting the touching C at the end of each fringe as shown in Fig. 7. Repeat to form the other side of the necklace. Center the focal ring between the bottom of the 2 diamonds; use jump rings to connect the focal ring to the diamonds as shown in Fig. 7. Slide the final starburst into the center of the focal ring. The starburst should fit snugly, but for maximum security, turn the work over and use a small

6) STRAPS. Use 6" of beading wire to string 1 crimp tube, 10 size 11°s, and the toggle bar's loop. Pass back through the tube and crimp. String (one 8mm pearl and 1C) eight times. String one 12mm pearl, 1 crimp tube, and the wrapped loop of one of the connector starbursts. Pass back through the tube and crimp. Trim any excess beading wire. Repeat entire step, this time attaching the toggle

ring to the other side of the necklace. +

bit of jeweler's adhesive to glue the

the focal ring.

edge of the ring to the inside edge of

RESOURCES

Fig. 7: Connecting the

starbursts and focal

Check your local bead shop or contact:
Resin rings: Natural Touch Beads, (707)
781-0808, www.naturaltouchbeads.com. Seed beads, FireLine braided beading thread, and Swarovski 6mm crystals: Beyond Beadery, (800) 840-5548, www.beyondbeadery.com.
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FusionBeads.com, (888) 781-3559. E6000 adhesive: Michaels, (800) 642-4235, www.michaels.com.



DAVID CHATT

Last June I had the incredible opportunity to make my fifth journey to Penland School of Crafts, deep in the mountains north of Asheville, North Carolina. Of course I was excited to be teaching there again. But that was nothing compared to the thrill of meeting legendary artist David Chatt and interviewing him during the end of his first year as an artist-in-residence. When I first sat down with David to talk about the brave new horizons he's exploring while living at one of the world's most renowned craft schools, I asked what brought him to such a wonderful place. He replied with a straight face: "First a truck, then a car." When David said he suffered from "attention surplus disorder," I knew this was going to be good!

MELINDA BARTA

Above: Significant Others, 2009. Cast glass and seed beads. $6 \times 6\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ " each.

new horizons in glass



POWER OF PENLAND

f you've ever been to Penland, you know profound things happen there. Lifetime friendships are formed in mere days, art is pushed to the next level, "breakthroughs" abound. It is a place of deep focus—away from television, away from traffic, and away from everyday chores. It is also a place that supports professional artists during transitional times. The majority of makers in the school's selective artist-in-residence program are professional studio artists seeking to change their

directions, or graduate students just breaking into the art world. Like David, they come to live on the Penland campus for three years, immerse themselves in the area's amazingly tight-knit community, and share their art with the thousands of students and visitors who frequent the school each year. Most importantly, the school provides affordable housing and studio space where resident artists can give full attention to new work. For David, this means a private studio (which he built into a glass shop) and an environment that nurtures art and only art.

FREE TO TRY SOMETHING NEW

Picture yourself twenty years from now as a master of your craft. You walk into an exhibition of all of your best works and pause to reflect. This is exactly what David did upon entering his retrospective exhibition, *Two Hands, Twenty Years, and a Billion Beads.* David says, "I realized that I had accomplished much of what I had set out to do, and that perhaps it was time to consider what else I wanted to do. I was free to try my hand at something new." But when David asks himself "What's next?" it's not with a simple been-there-done-that attitude. Instead, his perspective is that he is "young enough to devote another twenty

David sees glass casting as not so much a departure from beadwork as it is a continuation of his work in glass.

years to something else, but old enough to know what a privilege that is." So what is next if there's not a whole lot of seed beading on the horizon? Glass casting. Surprised? For David, glass is glass—the medium he's always loved—whether molten glass or tiny seed beads. He sees glass casting as not so much a departure from beadwork as it is a continuation of his work in glass. And he hasn't closed the door on beaded work. David is "still compelled by the process of gathering and arranging many parts in the pursuit of an image or an idea," but for now he is "using components more akin to watermelons than raisins."

GLASS IN ALL FORMS

Imagine dipping a large ladle into a heat-radiating furnace of molten glass and pouring the glass into molds that are made of sand and coated with a layer of carbon. Once the glass has cooled into a somewhat-solid state, you don gloves and transfer the pieces of uncured glass to a kiln for days of annealing. Yes, the potentially dangerous process of glass casting couldn't be more far removed from the quiet, meditative process of bead stitching (where the most dangerous thing you'll encounter is a needle). For David, his work has never been about the material he uses, "It is about the idea. Whether I express that idea by sewing beads one to the next or by making molds in the sand, it is still about the idea." In fact, he does not call himself a "bead artist." He's always chosen materials based on their power to



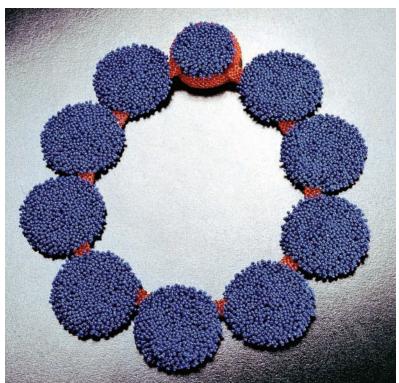
express what he wants to convey. While attending

Cast Glass Ball, 2007. Cast glass and seed beads. 6 x 6".

classes at Pilchuck Glass School in 1994 and 1995, including a glass-window casting workshop with Hank Adams, and returning to the school on and off for other projects throughout the years, David knew hot glass was something he would need to explore more during his lifetime. Also, while teaching beading at Penland one summer, he stayed at the school for a few additional weeks to take another workshop from Hank Adams. This encounter reinforced his love of Penland.

TESTING AND TRANSITIONS

To sustain his focus, David's currently not committing to any new exhibitions of beaded work. This is his time for pure experimentation and discovery. Although David is best known for his figurative and narrative beadweaving, his work in cast glass is more abstract. This is in part due to the nature of the medium and also because he's just starting to figure out the new, often daunting techniques and materials. David says the two biggest things he's exploring now are "texture and challenging myself." Although he stitched *Bubble Bowl* some thirteen years ago, it's evident the shapes and implied volume of his cast-glass pieces of today are related, a mere transposing of his



Blue Dot Necklace, 2000. Seed beads and thread. 21".

ARRY STESSON

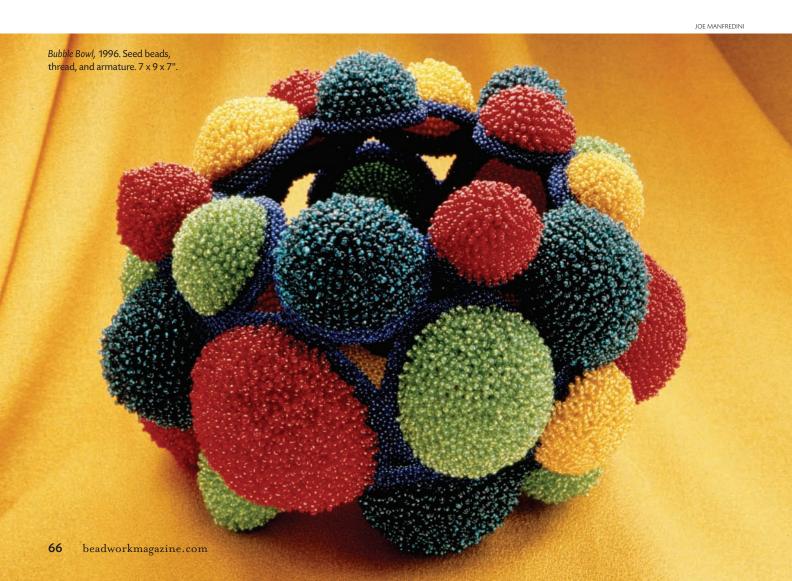


Some of David's first glass-cast forms lighted and displayed outside of his Penland studio. These pieces are similar to those included in the Dunn Gardens exhibition.

innate style. Significant Others and Cast Glass Ball, in which he seed-beads over cast forms, are prime examples of how seed beads are still part of his aesthetic vocabulary and how he expresses himself as an artist. David says he could never leave seed beading totally behind.

COLOR, FORM, AND ASSEMBLAGE

Color played a major role in David's older works. But you'll see the cast-glass forms shown here are clear. David says, "I feel liberated by the absence of color. When you have a perimeter, it forces you to concentrate on other aspects of the work, such as form, line, texture, etc." The qualities that color expressed in David's beaded works are now portrayed through form. His sense of play is most evident in the seaurchinlike castings he exhibited at Seattle's Dunn Gardens. This installation displays his love for combining multiple, yet similar forms and relates to his passion for remodeling and transforming homes into "assemblages." (In fact, he bought a church before he left Seattle and will one day transform it into a larger-than-life, personal work of art.) David





David, with his assistant Trevor Pierce, using a torch to keep the glass cooling slowly and evenly. If the edges cool before the middle, it creates tension and can cause the glass to crack.



Charging the furnace. David adds additional glass to the furnace. The flame is produced from a burning paper bag that temporarily holds together the bits of solid glass.



Forming shapes in the sand mold before casting.

has always felt like "more of a gatherer and arranger than a beader." The environment he has created for himself at Penland is in essence a lively installation—from the old windows and doors that hang from the ceiling, to his orange car, to the magnet-backed bottle caps that stud the metal exterior of his furnace like dots of seed beads.

LIFE AFTER PENLAND

Walking around the Penland campus, you can see David is leaving his mark. The dark sand pathways as well as the path up to the door of his studio are sprinkled with seed beads. As for what comes after his stint at Penland, perhaps he'll hit the road again. He loves to travel and has been to more than twentythree countries so far. He's keeping an open mind and would

"really like to find opportunities to teach internationally in places that don't have highly defined indigenous craft." David knows as much about beadwork and design as anyone, and he wants to make a difference in the world by sharing that knowledge and helping people use craft to lift themselves up.

What's the most beautiful thing about this leg of his journey? "I'm as free as I've ever been in life," says David. And he is grateful to Penland for providing the means to delve into this creative freedom.

See more of David's art at www.davidchatt.com. •

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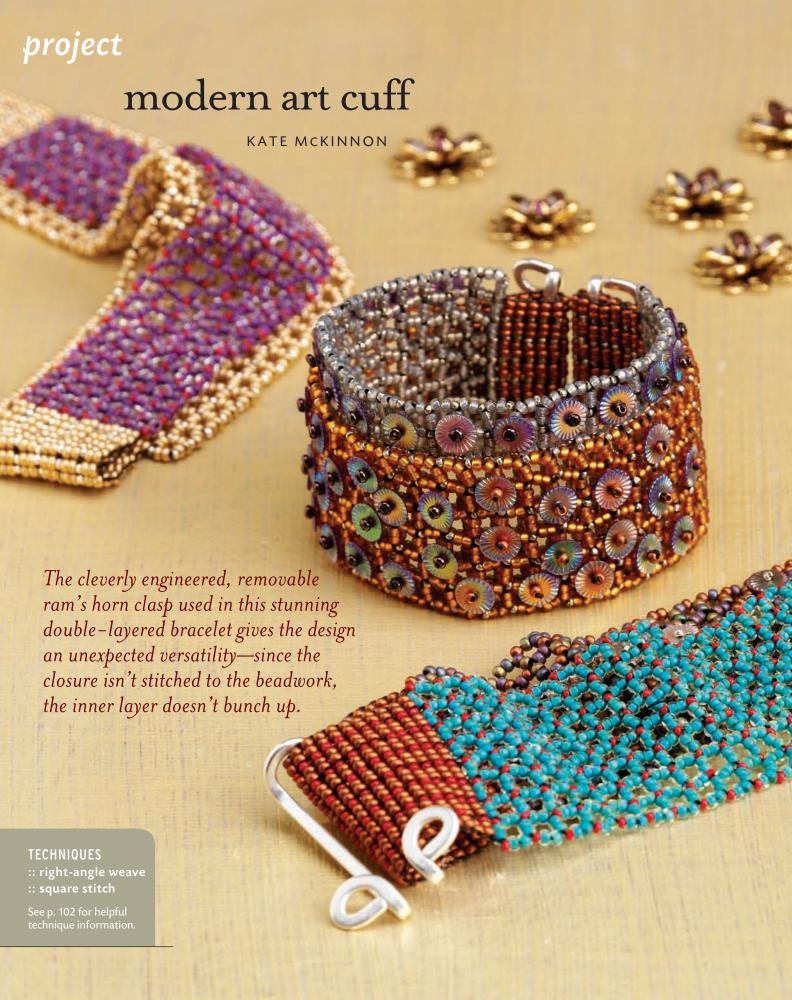




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1) GRAY STRIP. Work a large strip of right-angle weave for the inside layer of the cuff:

Row 1, Unit 1: Use 3' of size D thread to string {2B and 1A} four times, leaving a 4" tail. Pass through the beads again to form a circle, exiting from the first 2B strung.

Row 1, Units 2-8: String 2B, 1A, 2B, 1A, and 2B. Pass through the last 2B exited on the previous unit and through the 2B/1A/2B just added (Fig. 1); repeat to form a strip 8 units wide. Exit from the second B added to the final unit.

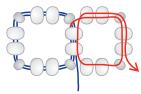


Fig. 1: Working Units 1 and 2 of Row 1

Row 2, Unit 1: String 2B, 1A, 2B, 1A, and 2B; pass through the last 2B exited from the previous unit, through the beads just added, and the next edge 2B of Row 1 (Fig. 2).

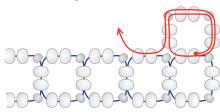


Fig. 2: Starting Row 2

Row 2, Unit 2: String 2B, 1A, and 2B; pass through the side 2B of the previous unit, the last 2B exited in Row 1, and the first 2B just added.

Row 2, Unit 3: String 2B, 1A, and 2B; pass through the next edge 2B on Row 1, the side 2B of the previous unit, the 2B/1A/2B just added, and the next edge 2B of Row 1 (Fig. 3).

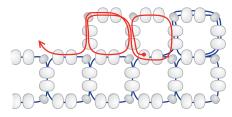


Fig. 3: Working Units 2 and 3 of Row 2

Row 2, Units 4–8: Repeat Row 2, Units 2 and 3, to work a total of 8 units. Exit from the top 2B of the final unit.

Rows 3 and on: Repeat Row 2 to work a strip of right-angle weave long enough to reach the wrist circumference, minus 21/4".

Embellishment: Weave through beads to exit from the intersection of 4 units at the corner of the strip. String 1 sequin and 1E; pass back through the sequin and through the next beads on the strip to exit from the intersection of the next set of 4 units along the strip's long edge (Fig. 4). Repeat to add sequin fringes down the edge of the strip. Secure the thread and trim.

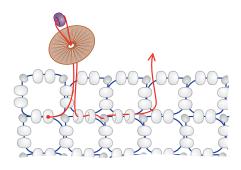


Fig. 4: Stitching the fringe embellishment

2) AMBER STRIP. Repeat Step 1, this time using C instead of B and forming the strip so it's 6 units wide instead of 8 units. Work the embellishment fringes as before, randomly placing them in the center 4" of the strip and sometimes using D instead of E.

3) ENDS. Connect the strips with square-stitched bands:

copper bands: Start 3' of size O thread that exits toward the edge from the bottom 2C of the amber right-angle-weave strip's first unit formed in Step 2. String 2D, pass through the last 2C exited and the 2D just added, and string 1A (Fig. 5a). String 2D, pass through the next 2D from the previous row and the 2D just added, and string 1A (Fig. 5b); repeat to the end of the strip, omitting the final 1A. Pass through the row just stitched to

MATERIALS

- 4 g silver-lined gray size 15° charlottes (A)
- 5 g silver-lined gray luster size 11° seed beads (B)
- 5 g matte silver-lined amber size 11° seed beads (C)
- 3 g matte metallic copper size 11° seed beads (D)
- 1 g purple luster size 11° seed beads (E)
- 45-50 copper iris 6mm textured sequins
- 1 sterling silver 23×30mm ram's horn clasp Gray size D and O nylon beading threads Beeswax or thread conditioner (optional)

TOOLS

Scissors
Size 12 beading needles

FINISHED SIZE: 71/4"

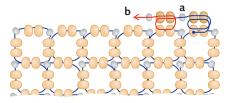


Fig. 5: Square-stitching the copper band

reinforce it. Continue working rows of square stitch, adding 2D over 2D and adding 1A between each stitch, to form a band 17 rows long. Do not trim the thread. Repeat entire step to form a second copper band at the other end of the amber strip.

connection: With the embellished side of the gray strip faceup and the embellished side of the amber strip facedown, connect the final row of the copper band to one short end of the gray strip using a square-stitch thread path and making sure the band is centered side to



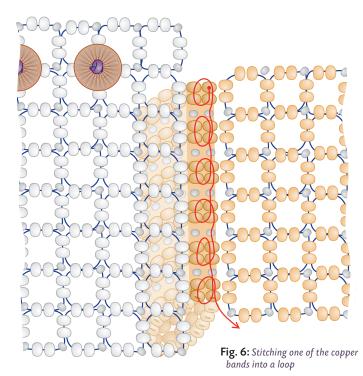
For subtle shimmer, add sequins between the layers of beadwork as Kate did on the blue-and-orange cuff below.





side. Weave through all the copperband rows again to reinforce; secure the thread and trim. Repeat this entire section using the other end of the copper strip and the free end of the gray strip to end up with a long circular band; do not trim the thread. Loops: Fold the copper band with the thread attached in half so the first and seventeenth square-stitched rows

seventeenth square-stitched rows meet. Note: One half of the clasp will go through this loop, so test to make sure the copper strip will rest on top of the gray strip and that all of the sequins will face up once stitched. Use a square-stitched thread path to join the rows and secure the loop (Fig. 6). Repeat the square-stitched thread path to reinforce; secure the thread and trim. To wear, slide one half of the clasp into the loop just formed and attach the other half to the fold of the other copper band. •



ARTIST'S TIPS

- If altering the size of this cuff, remember that it has two layers and will need to be longer than a simply strung piece. For example, Kate makes her own strung pieces 6 to 6½" long, but in this piece, she needs the finished cuff to measure about 7¼" long. Add or subtract a bit from each of the copper bands as you are finishing the piece.
- Kate squares up the units of the strips, if necessary, by gently pushing a graduated square bezel mandrel into each "cell."

 Don't have a bezel mandrel? Just pick up a piece of square brass tubing from the hardware store in a diameter slightly smaller than the holes and wiggle it around in each cell.
- Experiment with patterns and color fades in your beadwork. Even subtle changes, such as the use of different-colored beads that anchor the sequins, can be exciting.

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RESOURCES

Check your local bead shop or contact:
Seed beads: Jane's Fiber & Beads, (888)
497-2665, www.janesfiberandbeads.com, or
BeadFX, Toronto, www.beadfx.com. Nymo
nylon beading thread: Fire Mountain Gems
and Beads, (800) 355-2137, www.firemoun
taingems.com. Ram's horn clasp: Kate
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MARY M. PFEILER

An embellished peyote- and brick-stitched triangle is the centerpiece of this beautifully modern necklace. Finish with a spiral rope and you've got sheer sophistication.



1) BASE. Work a brick-stitched triangular base:

Row 1: Use 5' of thread and size 8° seed beads to form a ladder-stitched strip 15 beads long, leaving a 12" tail.

Row 2: String 1 size 8°, loop under the thread between the last bead exited and the next bead in the previous row, and pass back through the size 8° just added to form a brick stitch; repeat across the row. *Note:* This row will contain 1 less bead than the previous one.

Rows 3-15: Repeat Row 2 thirteen times to form a brick-stitched triangle. The final row will contain only 1 bead (Fig. 1). Do not cut the thread; set the base aside.

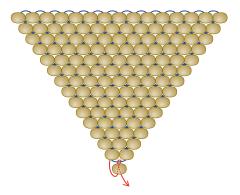


Fig. 1: Adding Row 15 to the base

2) BAIL. Use 2' of thread and size 11° seed beads to peyote-stitch a square 18 rows wide by 26 rows long, leaving a 4" tail. Weave in the tail thread but do not trim the working thread; set aside.

3) ASSEMBLY. Stitch the triangle and square together to form the pendant:
Connect: Weave the base's tail thread through beads to exit the third Row l bead. Hold the bail behind the base so the first bead of the bail's thirteenth row meets the point where the tail thread exits the base (Fig. 2a). Use the base's tail thread to pass through the first Row 13 bail bead and into the next Row 1 base bead. Pass up through the next base bead, through the next Row 13 bail bead, and down through the last base bead exited; repeat across,

stitching the bail's thirteenth row to the center of the base's first row as neatly as possible (Fig. 2b). Repeat the thread path to reinforce; secure the base's tail thread and trim.

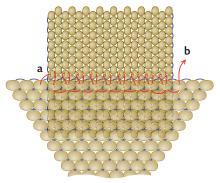


Fig. 2: Attaching the bail to the base

Zip: Use the bail's working thread to zip the first and last rows together, forming a tube (Fig. 3). Repeat the thread path to reinforce; secure the bail's working thread and trim.

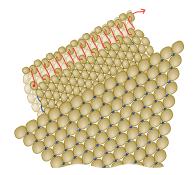


Fig. 3: Zipping the ends of the bail

4) FRINGE. Weave the base's working thread through beads to exit from Row 14. String 1 disc, 1 size 11°, 1 heishi, and 1 cream size 15°; pass back through the heishi, size 11°, and disc just added. Weave through the next size 8° in the

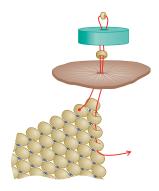


Fig. 4: Adding fringe to the base

base row and continue through base beads to exit from the first bead of Row 12 (Fig. 4). Continue to add a total of 15 disc fringes across the base, evenly spacing the fringes so the base is completely covered. Secure the thread and trim. Set the pendant aside.

5) ROPE. Use turquoise size 15°s and brown size 11°s to work a spiral tube:
Start round: Use a comfortable length of thread to string {1 size 11° and 2 size 15°s} three times, leaving a 12" tail.
Pass through all the beads again, exiting the first size 15° strung. Pull tight to form a circle.

Spiral: String l size l1° and 2 size l5°s, skip 2 beads of the start round, and pass through the next size l5°; repeat once.
*String l size l1° and 2 size l5°s. Pass through the first size l5° of the next set previously added (Fig. 5). Repeat from * to form a l2–l4" tube.

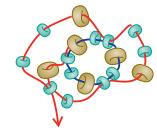


Fig. 5: Starting the netted rope

6) ENDS. Use the working thread to string I bead cap. Pass up through one side of I wireguard and down through the other side. Pass back through the bead cap and weave through the bead-work to secure the findings (Fig. 6). Repeat the thread path twice or more to reinforce; secure the thread and trim. Use the tail thread to repeat entire step at the other end of the rope.



Fig. 6: Adding a wireguard

MATERIALS

- 15 cream size 15° cylinder beads
- 10 g turquoise size 15° seed beads
- 15 g matte metallic brown size 11° seed beads
- 3 g matte metallic brown size 8° seed beads
- 15 turquoise 4×2mm heishi beads
- 15 copper 10mm rippled textured discs
- 2 antique copper 6×2mm bead caps
- 2 antique copper 4.5mm wireguards
- 2 antique copper 5mm split rings
- 1 antique copper 7×17mm hookand-eye clasp
- 2³/₄" of antique copper 4×5/6×9mm long-and-short textured chain Smoke 6 lb braided beading thread

TOOLS

Scissors

2 size 12 English beading needles Split-ring pliers Chain- or flat-nose pliers

FINISHED SIZE: 18" (EXPANDABLE TO 21")

7) CLASP. Use I split ring to attach the eye half of the clasp to one of the wireguards. Open the bottom loop of the hook half of the clasp as you would a jump ring. Attach it to the free end of the eye half of the clasp and close the loop. Use I split ring to attach one end of the chain to the remaining wireguard. Use the rope to string the pendant's bail. ◆

ARTIST'S TIP

Tie several knots before adding the fringe. This way, if you don't like the way the discs are sitting, you can cut off the fringe without compromising the integrity of the base. Start a new thread and redo the fringe.

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RESOURCES

Check your local bead shop or contact: All beads and findings: We Got the Bead, www .wegotthebead.com.



1) FOCAL. Tie a knot at one end of 5' of conditioned thread; place a needle at the other end. Center one of the flat focal beads or buttons on 1 piece of beading foundation. Pass through the foundation from back to front near the bead's hole or the button's shank. Pass through the bead or button shank and sew down through the foundation, securing the item in place. Repeat the thread path several times to secure. Knot the thread but do not trim. Exit up through the fabric next to the edge of the focal bead/button.

2) BEZEL. Use bead embroidery and peyote stitch to form a bezel around the focal bead/button:

Base: String 3 size 8°s, lay them along the edge of the focal, and pass down through the foundation. Pass up through the foundation between the first and second bead just added and pass through the second and third bead. String 2 size 8°s, lay them along the edge of the focal, pass down through the foundation, pass up through the foundation between the 2 beads just added, and through the last bead added (Fig. 1); repeat, working backstitch bead embroidery around to encircle the focal. Make sure you've used an even number of beads if you want to build up the bezel around the focal in the next rounds.

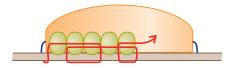


Fig. 1: Working backstitch bead embroidery

Round 1: Exiting one of the base beads, work tubular peyote stitch off the base using 1 size 8° in each stitch. Step up for the next round by passing through the first bead of this round.

Round 2: Work tubular peyote stitch using 1 size 11° in each stitch (Fig. 2). Weave through beads to exit down through the beading foundation. Make several small stitches at the back of the foundation to secure the thread; knot and trim.

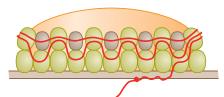


Fig. 2: Peyote-stitching Rounds 1 and 2

3) BACKING. Trim the foundation close to the edge of the beadwork, taking care to avoid cutting any stitches or the working thread. Center the focal on 1 piece of Ultrasuede with wrong sides together. Trim the Ultrasuede even with the outline of the base round, being careful not to cut threads.

4) PICOT EDGING. Use the beadwork's working thread to pass through the edge of the Ultrasuede and make a small stitch securing the foundation and Ultrasuede together with wrong sides together. String 3 size 11°s; pass through the beading foundation from front to back and the Ultrasuede from back to front one bead's width away. Pass back through the last size ll° just added to form a picot. *String 2 seed beads; pass through the edge of the beading foundation from front to back and the Ultrasuede from back to front one bead width's away from the last stitch; pass back through the second bead just strung (Fig. 3). Repeat from * to connect the focal to the Ultrasuede

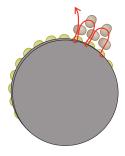


Fig. 3: Joining the foundation and Ultrasuede with picot edging

while adding a picot edging. When working the last stitch, string l size ll° and pass back down through the first bead added and the foundation and Ultrasuede. This completes the first component. Don't trim the thread; set the component aside.

Repeat Steps 1-4 four times for a total of

MATERIALS

- 10 g total assorted size 11° and 8° Japanese seed beads in blue, turquoise, indigo, chartreuse, green, fuchsia, gunmetal, copper, and bronze
- 2 size 6° Japanese seed beads in bronze and purple
- 7 bronze 6mm faceted bugle beads
- 2 copper 2.5mm faceted tubes
- 2 fuchsia 6mm textured vintage sequins
- 5 assorted 12–16mm flat round or rectangle beads or buttons in purple, blue, fuchsia, and orange
- 1 antique copper 16mm toggle clasp
- 6 brown or black 2×2 " pieces of beading foundation
- 6 black 2 × 2" pieces of Ultrasuede Black size D beading thread or smoke 6 lb braided beading thread

Thread conditioner

TOOLS

Scissors
Size 10 beading needle

FINISHED SIZE: 8"

5 components using the remaining focal beads/buttons and changing the seed-bead colors and sizes as desired so that each component is unique. *Note:* If you do not wish to bezel some of the flat beads/buttons, consider bead-embroidering circles around the beads as you did in the base round.

5) STITCHED COMPONENT. Form a

12 × 22mm component with embroidery only instead of stitching on a focal bead/button as before: Use backstitch bead embroidery to attach bugles and size 11°s to the center of a 2 × 2" piece of beading foundation, following the layout of Fig. 4. To add fringe, exit between beads near

one corner of the focal, string l sequin and l size ll°, and pass back through the sequin and foundation to form a fringe; repeat to add a matching fringe in the opposite corner of the focal. Repeat

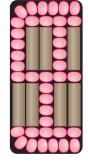


Fig. 4: Pattern for the stitched focal

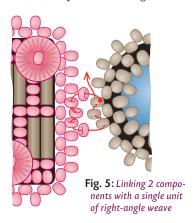
ARTIST'S TIPS

- The designer likes to use black or brown Stiffened Easy Felt or Lacy's Stiff Stuff for the embroidered foundation; its dark color helps the foundation visually recede into the background.
- This is a great portable project to bead on the go since you can work on one focal at a time and still have a great feeling of accomplishment.
- If you'd like to use a small cabochon instead of a bead or button, use two-part epoxy to glue it to the beading foundation in Step 1.

Steps 3 and 4 to back and edge the stitched component. Set aside.

6) LINKS. Line up all the components in a pleasing order and connect them by working a single unit of right-angle weave and/or peyote stitch:

Right-angle-weave link: Weave the working thread of one component to exit from the tip of one picot on the edge. String 1 size 11°; pass down through the tip of a picot on the edge of a second component. String 1 size 11°; pass down through the tip of the next picot on the second component. String 1 size 11°;





pass up through the bead at the tip of a picot on the first component. String 1 size 11°; pass up through the first bead exited in this section (Fig. 5). Repeat the thread path to reinforce. If desired, embellish the link by stitching 1 copper tube bead to the center of the unit. Secure the thread and trim.

Peyote-stitch link: Weave the working thread of one component to exit from the tip of one picot on the edge. Work a strip of peyote stitch 4 size 11°s wide by 4 rows long off the last picot bead exited and the tip bead of the nearest picot (Fig. 6a). Interlock the up beads of the fourth peyote-stitched row with the

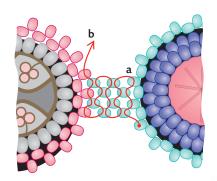


Fig. 6: Linking 2 components with peyote stitch

tip beads of 2 picots on another component, lacing them like a zipper (Fig. 6b). Repeat the thread path to reinforce; secure the thread and trim.

7) CLASP. Weave one of the remaining working threads to the end of the bracelet and exit the tip of one picot at the edge. String 3 size 11°s, 1 size 6°, 3 size 11°s, one half of the clasp, and 3 size 11°s. Pass back through the size 6° and string 3 size 11°s, skip one picot on the edge,

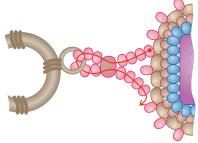


Fig. 7: Attaching one half of the clasp

and pass through the tip bead of the following picot (Fig. 7). Repeat the thread path to reinforce; secure the thread and trim. Begin a new thread at the other end of the bracelet and repeat entire step to attach the other half of the clasp. Note: If desired, you may attach the clasp to beads of the focal's base-round embroidery instead of the picots. \spadesuit



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CYNTHIA RUTLEDGE



In this issue, Beadwork catches up with the author of our very first Master Class, accomplished beadwork designer and teacher Cynthia Rutledge. We'll uncover the discoveries she's made in the last three years in regard to her inventive use of materials. We'll also find out what attracted her to beading in the first place and learn where she finds inspiration to feed her deep well of creativity. Her passion and journey are sure to inspire the way you approach your own beadwork.

Beading began, for me, as a hobby in 1988. By 1991, I was working in a local bead store, which gave me contact with a lot of beading enthusiasts. Then came a book called *The New Beadwork* by Kathlyn Moss and Alice Scherer. I was completely amazed. I had no idea someone could manipulate beads to create three-dimensional shapes with such precision, and I was hooked!

In 1992, I attended a two-day workshop with the one-and-only Joyce Scott. She pushed all of my creative buttons. I walked away with new focus and knew from that moment on that I wanted to design my own work. I continued developing my style and, in 1996, I became a self-employed designer and teacher.

Teaching is a form of sharing, and I have always found that beaders are a sharing group. My enjoyment of teaching is multifaceted. A portion of me loves the interaction and camaraderie; it energizes me and gets my creative juices going. Another part of me feels like I am giving back to the beading community. Even though beading is my job, I am who I am because of beading. It is part of me, as I am part of it.

A NEW ADVENTURE WITH BEZELED STONES

My most current work incorporates some materials that are new to me. I have always been in love with fine gemstones and have used them in many of my designs. I have tried to mimic the look of pavé in beadwork, and up to last year, I wasn't able to accomplish it without the beadwork looking chunky. Basically, pavé means to make a "path" of stones. It is a metalworking technique that is normally accomplished with fine metals by laying a path of bezels, then setting the stones within the bezels. My Australian friend Jane showed me just what I needed to achieve the look I had been seeking: cubic zirconias (CZs) and gemstones (faceted front and

Above: The Key to My Heart, 2009. Peyote stitch (decreasing and increasing), lattice weave, gem-setting, and embellishing techniques. Locket holds photographs set into brass frames and covered with resin. Ruby, sapphire, and emerald gemstones; custom-coated cubic zirconias; gold-filled settings; Swarovski 2mm custom-coated crystals; and size 15° and 11° seed beads.

back with no hole) that would normally be set into metal along with a little metal cage called a setting. This setting is pushed into place from the back, around the sides of the stones, and creates a bezel. Beading around the bezeled stone is easy and lends itself to unlimited possibilities.

STONES VERSUS CABOCHONS

The stones can be as small as 2mm and can be incorporated into beadwork without the beadwork having to cover up the top edge of the stone, as it would when beading around a cabochon or rivoli. The set stones just jump right out at you when you look at the beadwork and enable me to finally achieve the long-sought pavé look!

The stones and settings I use now are very specialized, so most bead stores do not carry them. The stones are not difficult to find, but good-quality settings are. I am currently having 2 to 10mm round settings made in gold-filled and sterling silver. I use natural gemstones, lab-grown stones, CZs, and specially coated CZs. They are all wonderful products, coming from all over the world. Knowing that all of you beaders out there are going to want to experiment with these fantastic materials, I will be offering these products on my website, www.cynthiarutledge.net.

BEADING INSPIRATIONS ARE ALL AROUND US

Designing pieces around historical events, people, places, and art has been the focus of my work since the very beginning. I spend a lot of my design time doing research. My husband, Mark, and I are living-history reenactors for the year 1757, portraying a "chirurgeon" (surgeon) and his wife. In the process of researching for these characters, I run into all kinds of information that inspires me to design contemporary beadwork. Inspiration is everywhere; you just have to open your mind and look around!

For instance, I spend a lot of time on airplanes, so I have plenty of time to design and pull my thoughts together before ever touching a bead. On one flight in 2007, I opened up an airline magazine to an article about a young guy who was making history in the cake-baking industry. We know him today as Chef Duff, owner of Baltimore's Charm City Cakes and host of the Food Network's Ace of Cakes. The article was interesting, as success stories

always are. But the images of one particular cake got me all fired up: a smooth-surfaced cake covered in an incredible paisley design using tiny little dots of icing. It was amazing. Not that my *Intermezzo Necklace* looks like the cake that inspired it. That wasn't the idea. The necklace evokes the essence of the cake's design. I designed the piece to have a laciness and softness, while retaining the elegance that I saw in the cake. I gave my piece the name *Intermezzo* to denote that I was involved with an interlude, a separate act, or a shift in my work.

BEADWORK ON THE ROAD

Traveling affects my beading time, but not my designing time. On the road, I tend to design only on paper, notebook in hand, but I usually bead only

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A Stone's Throw, 2009. Lattice weave, netting, peyote stitch (decreasing), gem-setting, and embellishing techniques. Custom-coated cubic zirconias, gold-filled settings, and size 15° and 11° seed beads.



on workshop samples that have already been designed. I save the new beadwork design work for the comfort of my studio. When designing a new piece, I need my supplies about me. Once the design is set in stone, then I can be on the move with it.

tings; magatamas; and size 15° and 11° seed beads.

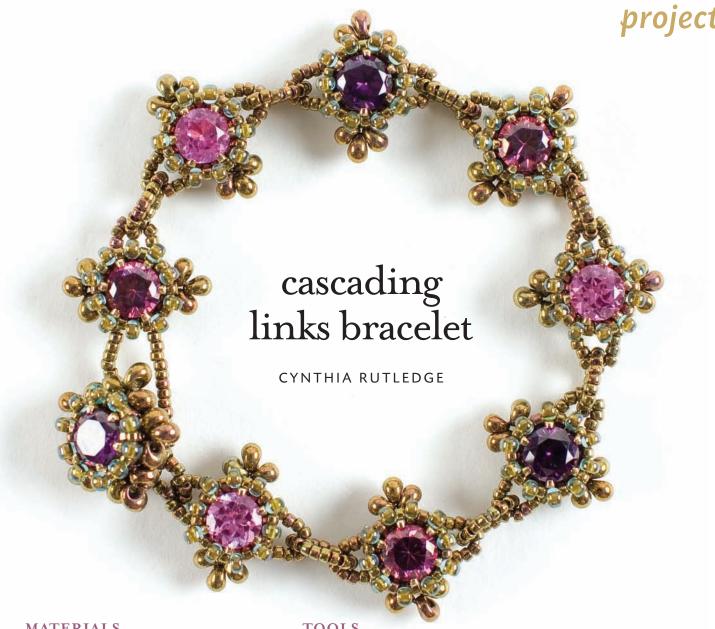
I never know for sure in which direction my work will take me. I am really enjoying what I am working on right now, so who knows what will happen tomorrow. Every piece that I design leads to something else, so it is always an adventure. All I have to do is to allow myself to be led. Sometimes creating happens easily for me and sometimes not—when the wind blows just right, I will hopefully know when to follow it.

A LESSON IN SETTING AND BEZELING STONES

I am so excited about incorporating settings and stones within beadwork that I am going to show beaders how to set stones, then bezel around them Symmetry in Motion Earrings, 2008. Peyote stitch (decreasing and increasing), netting, gem-setting, and embellishing techniques. Mystic green topaz gemstones, white cubic zirconias, sterling silver settings and ear wires, seed beads, and Swarovski 2mm custom-coated crystals.

using peyote stitch. There are many ways to approach a bezel of beadwork, but peyote stitch is a "comfort zone" stitch for many beaders and a good choice for getting started with this technique. Whether you choose to make the Cascading Links Bracelet start to finish or just want to play with the techniques, you'll be amazed at how these little beauties can be incorporated into any number of applications. •

contemporary beadwork artist off-loom weaving techniques sculptural shapes. Cynthia says, "The process of working with beads and thread is meditative and calming, which allows time for reflection . . . the more I experience the wonderful qualities of beadwork, the more I realize my relationship with beads will always be one of learning, experiencing, and sharing." As a teacher, Cynthia shares her expertise on the road for most of the year. Her work has been exhibited in national and international shows and has appeared in many periodicals and books, including Masters: Beadweaving: Major Works by Leading Artists (Lark Books, 2008).



MATERIALS

6 g metallic bronze size 15° seed beads (A)

- 2 g olive-lined light sapphire size 11° seed beads (B)
- 5 g metallic bronze 3mm magatama drops (C)
- 9 round 6mm faceted cubic zirconia, lab-grown, or natural stones in light rose, rose, and amethyst
- 9 gold-filled 6mm 6-prong round settings

Piece of paper in any color Khaki nylon beading thread Beading wax (optional)

TECHNIQUES

TOOLS

Small sharp scissors

Size 12 and 13 beading needles

1/2" diameter dowel or round wooden needle case

Clean, soft, cotton cloth

FINISHED SIZE: 63/4"

This technique is not all about making this specific bracelet. You'll also take away the ability to add elegance and incredible sparkle to your own designs by incorporating links made by bezeling around stones and settings of choice, closing off the back of the bezels with peyote stitch, and then adding picot embellishments and connection loops. The possibilities are limited only by your imagination. So come on in, the water's just fine!

Note: The number of stones and settings required for this project depends on the desired length of your bracelet. Plan on one stone per 3/4" pattern repeat.

1) LINKS. Work peyote stitch into a beaded bezel to cover the prong setting, embellish with magatamas, and add connection loops:

Rows 1-3: Use a comfortable length of thread to string 2lA, leaving an 8" tail. Skip the first 2 beads just strung and pass back through the third-to-last bead (Fig. 1). Work peyote stitch to the end of the row with lA in each stitch, adjusting the strip's tension.



Fig. 1: Starting Round 2

Zip: Thread a needle onto the tail. Making sure the beadwork isn't twisted, turn the peyote-stitched strip into a tube by passing both the working and tail threads into the end of the strip (Fig. 2).

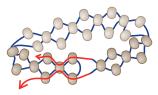


Fig. 2: Turning a flat peyote-stitched strip into a tube

CYNTHIA'S NOTE:

Now, are you asking yourself, "How did we get to even count when we started with an odd number of beads?" We started with 21 beads, but because we skipped the first two beads at the beginning of the row, one of those beads actually moved to Row 3 of the peyotestitched strip, leaving us with 10 up beads and 10 down beads.

Slide the beadwork onto the smooth part of the setting so the working thread exits near the base of the setting and the tail thread exits near the prongs. Remove the needle from the tail thread but don't trim.

Round 4: Use the working thread to work tubular peyote stitch with lA in each stitch. At the end of the round, step up through the first bead added in this round.

Round 5: Work l peyote stitch with lA. Pass the needle between the setting and the beadwork to exit up near the prong tips. Pass around the closest prong tip and down through the space between the setting and the beadwork. Pass through the last bead exited of Round 4 (Fig. 3). When the thread is tightened,

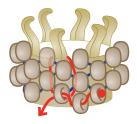


Fig. 3: Attaching the beadwork to a prong and starting Round 5

the loop of thread that wrapped around the prong slides to the bottom of the prong. Continue peyote-stitching the round with 1A in each stitch and connecting to the prongs in two more places to add a total of 10A; step up for the next round.

Stone: Place one 6mm stone facedown (point up) onto a piece of paper. Use the cloth to wipe the back of the stone, removing any dust or fingerprints. Keep the threads out of the way as you center the prong tips of the setting over the back of the stone. Press the end of the dowel (or wooden needle case) down onto the back of the setting until you hear a snap (Fig. 4). The goal

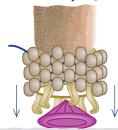


Fig. 4: Setting the stone

is to seat the stone's edge into the little notches that are right below the prong tips. This takes firm pressure, but don't push it too far.

Round 6: Use the working thread to work tubular peyote stitch with lA in each stitch. Step up.

Round 7: Work l peyote stitch with lA. Pass through the next down and the next up bead to make a decrease. Repeat, working l peyote stitch and l decrease around; step up (Fig. 5).



Fig. 5: Round 7 decreases

Round 8: Work tubular peyote stitch with lA in each stitch for a total of 5 beads; step up. Adjust the tension to make the beadwork roll toward the back of the setting.

Round 9 (optional): Work tubular peyote stitch with IA in each stitch for a total of 5 beads; step up (Fig. 6). Weave



Fig. 6: Rounds 8 and 9 shown from the back of the setting

through these beads again to reinforce the round. Don't trim the thread. *Note:* Seed beads come in different shapes and widths, even within the same designated size. So, in most cases this round will work great, but there's also the chance that this round could be too tight. If it's too tight, then skip the round and simply repeat the Row 8 thread path to tighten. This approach will leave a very pretty 5-sided pattern.

Row 10: Use the tail thread to work l round of tubular peyote stitch at the top of the beaded bezel using lB in each stitch (Fig. 7). Secure the tail thread and trim.



Fig. 7: Adding the size 11°s of Round 10

Magatama picots and connection loops: Weave the working thread through beads to exit from a Round 4 bead beneath a Round 10 bead that is next to a prong. *String 3C and pass through the next Round 4 bead to "stitch in the ditch" and form a picot. Weave through the nearest bead of Round 3 and the nearest bead of Round 4 (Fig. 8).

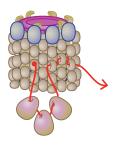


Fig. 8: Stitching magatamas in the ditch

String 9A; skip the next Round 4 bead and pass through the following Round 4 bead (Fig. 9). Pass through

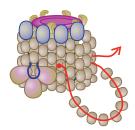


Fig. 9: Adding a connection loop

the nearest bead of Round 3 and the nearest bead of Round 4. Repeat from * to add another magatama picot and another loop. Repeat the entire thread path to reinforce; secure the thread and trim. Set the link aside.

Repeat entire step six more times for a total of 7 links. *Note:* The bracelet shown is $6^{3}/4$ " long and fits a $5^{3}/4$ " wrist. Increase or decrease the number of links for sizing.

2) CLASP LOOP. Make I link to be used as the loop half of the clasp: Repeat Step I, but use 37A for one of the loops instead of 9A. Repeat the thread path to reinforce; secure the thread and trim. Set the clasp loop aside.

3) CLASP BUTTON. Make 1 link to be used as the button half of the clasp:Bezel: Repeat Step 1, omitting the magatamas and loops.

shank: Weave the working thread through beads to exit from Round 6. String 11A and pass through 1A on the opposite side of Round 6 to form a loop. String 1A, skip the last A just added, and pass back through the next 9A of the loop. String 1A and pass through the first bead exited in this step (Fig. 10). Repeat the thread path to reinforce.

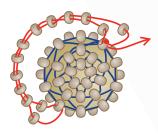


Fig. 10: Adding the button shank

Embellishment: Weave through beads to exit from a Round 4 bead beneath a Round 10 bead that is next to a prong. *String 3C and pass through the next Round 4 bead to "stitch in the ditch" and form a picot. Weave through the nearest bead of Round 3 and the nearest bead of Round 4. Repeat from * four more times to form 5 picots. Repeat the thread path to reinforce; secure the thread and trim. Set the clasp button aside.

4) ASSEMBLY. Set the clasp button, links, and clasp loop into a line. Use 18" of thread to string 15A, leaving an 8" tail. Pass through the loops of the clasp button and first link. Tie the working and tail threads in a knot to form a tight circle around the loops (Fig. 11). Pass through the beads again

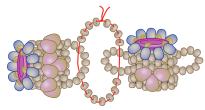


Fig. 11: Connecting the button shank to a link

several times to reinforce. Secure the threads and trim. Repeat entire step seven more times to connect all the components into a bracelet, taking care that the stones are facing up. *





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1) BASE. Use the size 12 needle and seed and bugle beads to peyote-stitch the base: Rows 1 and 2: Add a tension bead at the end of 3' of thread, leaving a 12" tail. String {2A and 1B} twice. String 2A. Row 3: String 1A; pass back through the second-to-last A strung in the previous row. String 1B; pass back through the next A of the previous row. String 1A; pass back through the first B of the previous row. String lA; pass back through the first A of the previous row (Fig. 1).



Fig. 1: Stitching Row 3 of the base

Row 4: String 1A; pass back through the last A added in the previous row. String 1B; pass back through the next A of the previous row. String lA; pass back through the B added in the previous row. String 1A; pass back through the next A in the previous row (Fig. 2).



Fig. 2: Working Row 4 of the base

Rows 5 and on: Repeat Row 4 to form a base 61/4" long or the desired length minus $1\frac{1}{2}$ ". Remove the tension bead; secure the thread and trim.

2) FRINGE. Use the size 12 needle to begin 4' of new thread that exits the A at the center of the third-to-last row. String IA, one 4mm pearl of any color, and 3 size 15°s of any color; pass back through the pearl, the A, and the A of the next base row to form a fringe (Fig. 3).

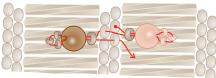


Fig. 3: Adding fringe

Repeat this step, adding a mixture of 4mm and 6mm pearls and size 15°s down the center of the base; finish at the base's third row. Note: Avoid pulling the thread too tight, or the Bs will cup or



curve. When using larger pearls, it may be necessary to skip IA at the base center and pass through the next, to relieve the tension in the middle of the bracelet. Secure the thread and trim.

3) ENDS. Prepare the ends of the base for the clasp:

connection row: Use the size 12 needle and begin 12" of new thread that exits an A at one end corner of the base, toward the center of the beadwork. String 10 or 11 bronze size 15°s or enough to span the first B at the end of the base; pass through both As at the base's center. String the same amount of bronze size 15°s and pass through the A at the other corner of the base (Fig. 4). Repeat the thread path to reinforce.

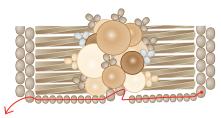


Fig. 4: Forming the end connection row

ARTIST'S TIPS

- Keep your tension snug but not tight. The beads should be flexible when you roll them between your thumb and fingers.
- Before you begin embellishing, make piles of the various pearls and seed beads according to color. Randomly pick up pearls as you work but try not to place the same color next to one another.

faceup along the end of the base.

Weave through beads to exit between the corresponding size 15°s of the bar's first loop. String 2 bronze size 15°s; pass through the bar's first loop. String 2 bronze size 15°s; pass through the next 3 size 15°s; as the end of the base. Repeat to attach each loop of the connector bar to the base (Fig. 5). Reinforce the thread path; secure the thread and trim.

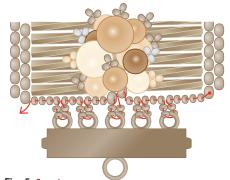


Fig. 5: Securing a connector bar

Repeat entire step at the other end of the base.

4) CLASP. Attach and embellish the clasp:

clasp: Cut 2' of thread; fold it in half. Use the folded end of the thread to string one half of the clasp. Use the wide-eye needle to thread both thread ends. Pass the needle through the single loop on the outside of one of the connector bars and the folded end of the thread; pull the thread to snug the clasp half to the bar loop. Pass through the clasp and bar loop several times to secure the clasp.

Fringe: String 1A, one 4 or 6mm pearl, and 3 size 15°s of any color; pass back through the pearl and the A, then loop around the bar loop. Repeat to add 6 to 10 fringes around the clasp, sometimes beginning with 2A to vary their length. Use the 8mm pearl for one of the fringe; this large pearl will hide the clasp when closed (Fig. 6). Secure the thread and trim.

MATERIALS

- 3 g silver-lined pink size 15° seed beads
- 3 g crystal gold luster size 15° seed beads
- 3 g bronze size 15° seed beads
- 3 g beige-lined crystal size 15° seed beads
- 5 g bronze size 11° seed beads (A)
- 14 g bronze 12mm twisted bugle beads (B)
- 88 total 4mm crystal pearls, including 22 ivory, 18 pink rose, 30 bronze, and 18 white
- 47 total 6mm crystal pearls, including 11 ivory, 15 brown, 11 pink rose, and 10 beige
- 1 beige 8mm crystal pearl
- 2 bronze 25×8mm 1-to-5 connector bars
- 1 gold-filled 6×13mm round magnetic clasp Smoke 6 lb braided beading thread

TOOLS

Scissors Size 12 beading needle Wide-eye needle

FINISHED SIZE: 71/2"

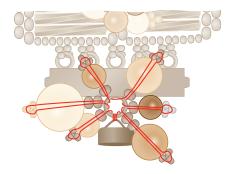


Fig. 6: Adding the clasp and fringe

Repeat entire step on the other end of the base. •

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- You may substitute size 10° or 11° seed beads for the size 9° beads used here. Increase the number of As used in each unit of the band as needed to completely cover the wire.
- When passing the wire back and forth through the filigree, you can help avoid kinks by inserting a toothpick under the wire when it's nearly through the opening. Pull the wire over the toothpick, remove

the toothpick, and give the wire a quick, sharp tug when you make the final pull.

TECHNIQUES

- :: two-needle rightangle weave
- :: wireworking

See p. 102 for helpful technique information.

1) DAP. Place I disc facedown on a similarly sized indentation on the dapping block. Place the curved end of the dapping peg against the disc's center and gently hammer the peg to evenly curve the filigree into a domed shape.

2) BANDS. Use two-needle right-angle weave to form a band of wire and beads: Unit 1: Use 27" of 30-gauge wire to string 10A and slide the beads to the center of the wire. Use one wire to string lB, lA, and 1B and cross the other wire back through the beads; pull tight. Use your fingers to pinch the initial 10A to form a point above the lB/lA/lB (Fig. 1).

Unit 2: Use each wire end to string 3A. Use one wire to string lB, lA, and lB and cross the other wire back through the lB/lA/lB; pull tight. Manipulate the beads so the Bs are centered and the As form a neat border on each side of the unit (Fig. 2).

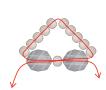


Fig. 1: Completing Unit 1

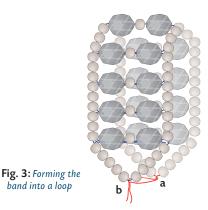
Fig. 2: Finishing

Units 3-9: Repeat Unit 2 seven times to form a band. Use the wire straightener on the working wires between units as necessary.

End: Use each wire to string 5A and slide them down the wires to touch Unit 9. Hold the beads in place, cross the wires close to the beads, and tightly twist the 2 wires together twice (Fig. 3a).

Loop: Pass one wire through the end point above Unit 1. Adjust the wire so it's wedged between the 2A that form the end point and gently pull until both end points meet. Hold the points together, cross the wires close to the beads, and tightly twist four times (Fig. 3b). Don't trim the wire ends; set aside.

Repeat entire step six times for a total of 7 bands.



3) FILIGREE CONNECTION. Pair the wire ends of one band and pass them down through the front (convex side) of the dapped disc through any hole in the filigree marked in blue on Fig. 4. Pull the wires so the band's end points rest

against the disc. Hold the band in place

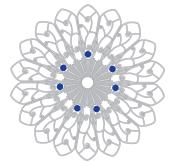


Fig. 4: Filigree connection points

and pass both wire ends up through the disc's center hole. Press the wire flat against the back of the filigree. Separate the wire ends. Push the right wire down through an opening immediately to the right of the hole marked in blue; push the left wire down through an opening immediately to the left of the hole marked in blue. Pull the wires tight (Fig. 5). Cross one wire over the other close to the back of the disc and tightly twist for ½"; trim to ¼". Press the

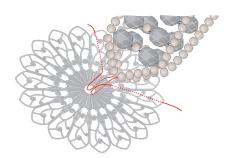


Fig. 5: Connecting a band to the dapped filigree

MATERIALS

5 g gray size 9° 3-cut seed beads (A) 126 hematite 5mm fire-polished rounds (B) 2 silver 34mm flat filigree discs with center hole 1 silver 32mm pin back with 2 holes

18' of silver 30-gauge craft wire 11' of silver 28-gauge craft wire

TOOLS

Wooden dapping block Wooden dapping peg Hammer Wire cutters Wire straighteners Chain-nose pliers **Toothpick**

FINISHED SIZE: 21/2"

trimmed wires flat against the back of the disc, pointing toward the center. Repeat entire step to add each band to the filigree disc, passing each through a different hole marked in blue; set aside. Note: Since there is an odd number of bands and an even number of filigree holes on the disc, it will be necessary to pass down through some of the openings in the filigree twice.

4) KNOT. Form the brooch's centerpiece:

Wire: Cut five 14" pieces of 28-gauge wire. Form an overhand knot at the end of each wire.

Strands: Use one wire to string 4" of A, knot the wire end, and set aside; repeat with the remaining wires.

Twists: Lay the 5 beaded wires side by side. Slide the beads to the center of the wire.

Twist the bare wires together for 1/2" on one side of the beads, making the twist loose enough so it can be untwisted later, but tight enough so the beads stay in place. Turn the strands over so the beads slide toward the twisted wires. Straighten the strands so they don't cross each other. Hold the bare wires between the beads and knots and gently twist the bare wires together for 1/2", leaving a 2-bead slack between the beads and this section

ARTIST'S TIP

To evenly dome one of the filigree discs, move it around the indentation of the dapping block as you hammer.

of twists. Note: The slack ensures no beads will break when tying the knot. Again, these wires must be untwisted later, so tighten only enough to secure the beads in place. Smooth and straighten the strands so they lie side by side. Trim just the knots off the wire ends close to where they were made, leaving about 4" of bare wire on each side of the beads (Fig. 6).

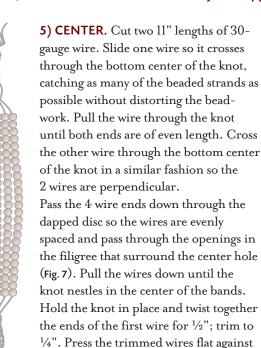
Knot: Treating the 5 strands as one, use both hands to tie an overhand knot. Keep the strands side by side as you gently tighten the knot, first pulling one end and then the other to achieve a pleasing size and shape. Use a toothpick to adjust and round the strands as necessary.

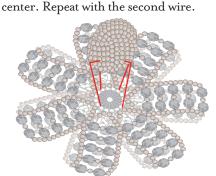
Fig. 6: Twisting

strands into

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Finish: Carefully untwist the wires coming out of the underside of the knot and remove any extra beads that extend beyond the knot's edge. Hold the beads that remain on the wires securely in place and retwist the wires tightly together for ½"; trim to ¼". Tuck the trimmed wires underneath the knot. Gently fold the wires at the top of the knot over the knot's edge so the final twist will be concealed under the knot, keeping the strands smooth, curved, and close to one another to avoid distorting the shape of the knot. Carefully untwist the wires and remove any extra beads that extend beyond the knot's center. Hold the remaining beads in place while retwisting the wires tightly together for ½"; trim to ¼". Press the trimmed wires flat against the bottom of the knot. Gently readjust the knot, using a toothpick to shape the strands.

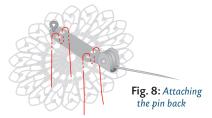




the back of the disc, pointing toward the

Fig. 7: Connecting the center knot

6) PIN BACK. Cut two 8" pieces of 28gauge wire. Fold each wire in half. Open the pin back and place it on the front of the flat disc to the right of the center hole, toward the upper edge, with the catch on the left side. Align the pin-back holes with filigree holes. Pass the ends of one wire up through the disc from back to front, through one set of corresponding filigree holes; continue up through the matching holes on one end of the pin back. Repeat for the other wire and other end of the pin back. Even the wires and pull tight. Open each pair of wires and press them down flat against the pin bar. Pass the top right wire down through the filigree, next to the clasp, and pass the bottom right wire down through the filigree, next to the clasp; pull the wire tight (Fig. 8). Cross the wires close to the back of the disc and tightly twist for ½"; trim



to ¹/₄". Press the trimmed wires flat against the back of the disc. Repeat with the left wires.

7) FINISHING. Cut four 2" pieces of 28-gauge wire. Fold the wire in half. Line up the 2 discs with wrong sides together. Choose four equidistant points around the edge of the discs. At one of those points, pass the ends of one wire through

the flat and dapped discs. Pull tight so the wire is flat against the flat disc. Cross the wires close to the dapped disc and tightly twist for ½"; trim to slightly less than ½". Press the trimmed wires flat

against the front of

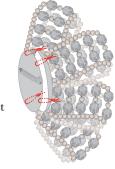


Fig. 9: Connecting the flat and dapped discs

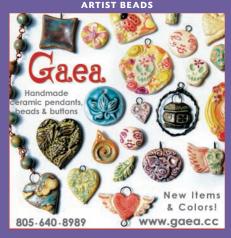
the dapped disc. Repeat to connect the flat and dapped discs at the remaining points, taking care to keep the discs evenly aligned (Fig. 9). *

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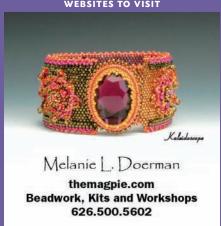
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PASS THROUGH VS PASS BACK THROUGH

Pass through means to move your needle in the same direction that the beads have been strung. Pass back through means to move your needle in the opposite direction.

FINISHING AND STARTING NEW THREADS

Tie off your old thread when it's about 4" long by making a simple knot between beads. Pass through a few beads and pull tight to hide the knot. Weave through a few more beads and trim the thread close to the work. Start the new thread by tying a knot between beads and weaving through a few beads. Pull tight to hide the knot. Weave through several beads until you reach the place to resume beading.

STRINGING



Stringing is a technique in which you use beading wire, needle and thread, or other material to gather beads into a strand.

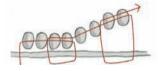
CRIMPING

String a crimp tube and pass through the connection finding. Pass back through the tube, leaving a short tail. Use



the back notch of a pair of crimping pliers to pinch the tube into a U, leaving a wire on each side of the bend. Rotate the tube 90° and use the front notch to form the pinched tube into a clean cylinder.

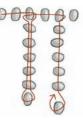
BACKSTITCH BEAD EMBROIDERY



Begin by passing through the fabric, from wrong side to right side. String 4 beads. Lay the beads against the fabric and pass down through it just past the fourth bead. Pass up through the fabric between the second and third beads and pass through the last 2 beads just strung. String 4 beads and repeat.

FRINGE

Exit from your foundation row of beads or fabric. String a length of beads plus 1 bead. Skipping the last bead, pass back through all the beads just strung to create a fringe leg. Pass back into the foundation row or fabric.



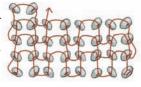
LADDER STITCH



String 2 beads and pass through them again. String 1 bead. Pass through the last stitched bead and the one just strung. Repeat, adding 1 bead at a time and working in a figure-eight pattern. Use this stitch to make strings of beads or as the foundation for brick and herringbone stitches.

HERRINGBONE STITCH

Begin with a foundation row of even-count ladder stitch. String 2 beads, pass down through the



second-to-last bead in the ladder and up through the next bead. String 2 beads, pass down the next bead and then up through the following. Repeat to the end of the row. To end the row, pass back through the last bead strung. To begin the next row, string 2 beads and pass down through the second-to-last bead of the previous row and up through the following bead. Repeat, stringing 2 beads per stitch and passing down then up through 2 beads of the previous row. The 2-bead stitch will cause the beads to angle-up in each column, like a herringbone fabric.

Begin tubular herringbone stitch with a foundation row of ladder stitch. Join the ends together to form a tube. String 2 beads. Pass down through the next bead and up through the following



bead. Repeat around the tube. At the end of the round, pass through the first beads of the previous and current rounds to step up to the new round.

HALF-HITCH KNOT

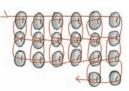
Half-hitch knots may be worked with two or more



strands—one strand is knotted over one or more other strands. Form a loop around the cord(s). Pull the end through the loop just formed and pull tight. Repeat for the length of cord you want to cover.

SQUARE STITCH

Begin by stringing a row of beads. For the second row, string 2 beads, pass through the secondto-last bead of the



first row, and through the second bead just strung. Continue by stringing 1 bead, passing through the third-to-last bead of the first row, and through the bead just strung. Repeat this looping technique to the end of the row.

PEYOTE STITCH

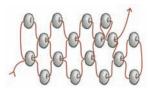
One-drop flat peyote stitch begins by stringing an even number of beads to create the first



two rows. Begin the third row by stringing 1 bead and passing through the second-to-last bead of the previous row. String another bead and pass through the fourth-to-last bead of the previous row. Continue adding 1 bead at a time, passing over every other bead of the previous row.



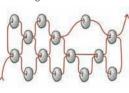
Two-drop flat peyote stitch is worked the same as above, but with 2 beads at a time instead of 1.



Make a mid-project **peyote-stitch increase** by working a two-drop over a one-drop in one row. In the next row, work a one-drop peyote between the two-drop. For a smooth increase, use very narrow beads for both the two-drop and the one-drop between.

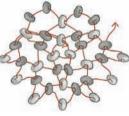
To make a mid-project **peyote-stitch decrease**, simply pass thread through 2 beads without

adding a bead in the "gap." In the next row, work a regular one-drop peyote over the decrease. Keep tension taut to avoid holes.



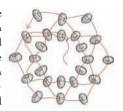
For **circular peyote stitch**, string 3 beads and form the first round by passing through the first bead. For the second round, string 2 beads and pass through the next bead of the previous round;

repeat twice. To step up for the third round, pass through the first bead of the current round. For the third round, string l bead and



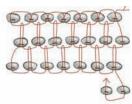
pass through the next bead of the previous round; repeat all around, then step up at the end of the round. Continue in this manner, alternating the two previous rounds. You may need to adjust the bead count depending on the relative size of the beads in order to keep the circle flat.

For tubular peyote stitch, string an even number of beads and make a foundation circle by passing through them two more times, exiting from the first bead strung. String 1 bead

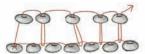


and pass through the third bead of the foundation circle. String l bead and pass through the fifth bead of the foundation circle. Continue adding l bead at a time, skipping over l bead of the first round, until you have added half the number of beads of the first round. Step up for the next round by exiting from the first bead of the second round. String l bead, pass through the second bead added in the second round, and pull thread tight. String l bead and pass through the third bead added in the second round. Continue around, filling in the "spaces" l bead at a time. Exit from the first bead added in each round.

BRICK STITCH



Begin by creating a foundation row in ladder stitch. String 2 beads and pass under the closest exposed loop of the foundation row and back through the second bead. String 1 bead and pass under the next exposed loop and back through the bead just strung; repeat.



To **decrease within a row,** string l bead and skip a loop of thread on the previous row, passing under the second loop and back through the bead.

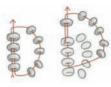
To increase within a row, work two stitches in the same loop on the previous row.

For **circular brick stitch**, work increases as needed to keep the work flat; at the end of each round, pass through the first and last beads to stitch them together, then string 2 beads to begin the next round.

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SPIRAL ROPE

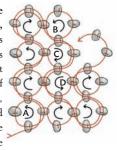
The basic formula for a spiral rope has larger beads as the center core, and smaller, and more, beads in the outer loops.



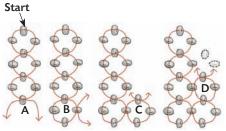
Begin with 4A (core) and 5B (loop). Pass through the As again, forming a D shape. String 1A and 5B; pass through the top 3A and the 1A just strung. Repeat, stringing 1A and 5B, and passing through the top 4A for each stitch.

RIGHT-ANGLE WEAVE

For single-needle right-angle weave, string 4 beads and pass through the first 3 beads again to form the first unit (A). For the rest of the row, string 3 beads, pass through the last bead passed through in the previous unit, and the



first 2 just strung; the thread path will resemble a figure eight, alternating directions with each unit. To begin the next row, pass through beads to exit the side bead of the last unit. String 3 beads, pass through the last bead passed through, and the first bead just strung (B). *String 2 beads, pass through the next edge bead of the previous row, the last bead passed through in the previous unit, and the last 2 beads just strung (C). Pass through the next edge bead of the previous row, string 2 beads, pass through the last bead of the previous unit, the edge bead just passed through, and the first bead just strung (D). Repeat from * to complete the row, then begin a new row as before.



To begin double-needle right-angle weave, use one needle on each end of the thread to string 3 beads to the center of the thread. *Use one needle to string 1 bead, then pass the other needle back through it. String 1 bead on each needle, then repeat from * to form a chain of right-angle units (A).

To turn at the end of the row, use the left needle to string 3 beads, then cross the right needle back through the last bead strung (B). Use the right needle to string 3 beads, then cross the left needle back through the last bead strung (C). To continue the row, use the right needle to string 2 beads; pass the left needle through the next bead on the previous row and back through the last bead strung (D).

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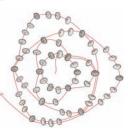
NETTING



For **single thread**, begin by stringing a base row of 13 beads. String 5 beads and pass back through the fifth bead from the end of the base row. String another 5 beads, skip 3 beads of the

base row, and pass back through the next; repeat to the end of the row. To turn, pass back through the last 3 beads (one leg of the last net). String 5 beads, pass back through the center bead of the next net and continue.

For circular netting, string lA and lB six times; pass through them again to form a circle for the foundation round and pass through the next lB. *String lA, lB, and



lA; skip lB and pass through the following lB in the previous round. Repeat from * twice, then step up for the next round by passing through the first 2 beads of this round.

String 2A, 1B, and 2A; skip 1B and pass through the following 1B in the previous round. Repeat twice, then step up for the next round by passing through the first 3 beads of this round. Work each round the same way, increasing the number of A beads as necessary to keep the work flat, and stepping up by passing through the first half of the first net.

WIREWORKING

To form a **simple loop**, use flat-nose pliers to make a 90° bend at least ½" from the end of the wire. Use round-nose pliers to grasp the wire after the bend; roll the pliers toward the bend, but not past it, to preserve the 90° bend. Use your thumb to continue the wrap around the nose of the pliers. Trim the wire next to the bend. Open a simple loop just as you would a jump ring (see below).

To form a wrapped loop, begin with a 90° bend at least 2" from the end



of the wire. Use round-nose pliers to form a simple loop with a tail overlapping the bend. Wrap the tail tightly down the neck of the wire two or three times. Trim the excess wire to finish. Make a thicker, heavier-looking wrapped loop by wrapping the wire back up over the coils, toward the loop, and trimming at the loop.

To open a **jump ring**, grasp each side of its opening with a pair of pliers. Don't pull apart. Instead, twist in opposite directions so that you can open and close without distorting the shape.

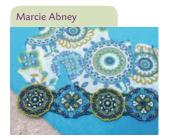




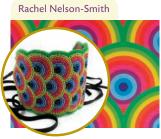
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And the winners of **Beadwork's Pattern Play Challenge** are...







The June/July 2008 issue of Beadwork challenged readers to create a project using pattern as inspiration, and the entries to this contest were phenomenal! By drawing inspiration from patterns found in nature to patterned papers and fabrics, our contest entrants showed us pattern is everywhere you look. A hearty thank-you to all participants—you sure pulled out all of the stops!

Of course we couldn't choose just one winner for the Editors' Choice awards. We love how Marcie Abney (www.labellajoya .blogspot.com) translated the medallion motifs found in her fabric into a beadwoven bracelet. Cindy Mayer's cuff, also inspired by fabric, was chosen because of its successful repetition of triangular shapes.

THIS ONE'S FOR THE TROOPS

Inspired by her son's service in the military, designer and bead-shop owner Jennifer Curran created Beads for the Brave, a project that aims to distribute beading supplies to troops stationed in Iraq and Afghanistan. Military personnel will be able to enjoy the therapeutic benefits of beading and will then have something special and handmade to send to loved ones back home. For more information or to donate beads, tools, and supplies, please contact Jennifer Curran at simplybeadn around@yahoo.com or visit the Simply Bead 'n Around website, www.simplybeadnaround.com.

And last but not least, our editors also awarded Rachel Nelson-Smith (www .rachelnelsonsmith.com)—her colorful cuff was skillfully stitched to maintain the perfect arches found on the patterned card that inspired her. Visit beadworkmagazine .com/facebook to see more of the impressive entries.

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